

## Foreword

President Clinton and I are proud of the progress that we have made in education over the last four years. Programs such as Goals 2000 and the Partnership for Family Involvement in Education have helped schools improve education for all of America's students. We still have much to accomplish, however, and the President announced in his 1997 State of the Union address that his top priority for the next four years is to ensure that all Americans have the best education in the world. The President's "Call to Action for American Education" is an ambitious agenda that will help prepare all of our students to meet the challenges of the next century.

As the President said at that time, "To have the best schools, we must have the best teachers." One of President Clinton's and the Department of Education's key priorities is ensuring that there is a talented, dedicated and well-prepared teacher in every classroom in the country. We realize that good teachers make a remarkable difference in the lives of students. We will continue to work with educators to ensure that America has an excellent and diverse teaching workforce.

If we are to succeed in preparing our children for the challenges of the 21st century, we must tap the knowledge, experience, and insight of classroom teachers. We can't claim that teaching and learning are at the heart of education reform without listening to teachers. When I first came to the Department of Education, I appointed Terry Dozier -- a practicing classroom teacher and former National Teacher of the Year -- as my special adviser. She has done a remarkable job of keeping the focus on children and teachers and involving teachers in the decisions of the Department. This year I added another National Teacher of the Year, Mary Beth Blegen, to my senior staff as our Teacher-in-Residence. The Department now has a number of programs that help us to stay connected with teachers. Through the National Teacher Forum, some of the nation's best teachers come to Washington to discuss education issues with the Department. The Adopt-A-Teacher Program enables Education employees and teachers to serve as resources for one another. The Department also keeps in touch with forum participants and other excellent teachers through focus groups and a computer network. Recently, Terry has worked on rewriting Title V of the Higher Education Act to reflect the concerns of teachers around the country who have participated in these various discussions.

Terry once sent me a message that has become the cornerstone of my philosophy on education reform: "Children aren't born smart, they get smart." That means it is possible for all of us, working together, to give every child in America the key to a successful future -- a quality education. Our challenge is to improve teaching and learning based on best practice and research so that we can bring about fundamental improvements in education.

I hope that you will look to the U.S. Department of Education as your partner in education. We certainly will continue to count on your input as we devise policies and services to assist the nation's schools, students, and teachers.

Richard W. Riley  
Secretary of Education

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Dear Colleague:

The mission of the U.S. Department of Education is to “ensure equal access to education and to promote educational excellence throughout the nation.” In order to achieve this mission, the Department must remain constantly responsive to, and supportive of, classroom teachers. It is crucial that policy makers work in close partnership with practitioners who know the education system intimately and understand what support is needed.

Secretary Riley appointed me, a veteran teacher, to be his special adviser, because he felt it was critical to have a classroom teacher on his immediate staff to serve as a “reality check” on our policies, programs and legislation. It’s exciting to work for an administration that places a high value on teachers. My position allows me to reach out to all of you in the field, so that the Department can continue to benefit from your insight and experience as it implements its policies and delivers support services to schools.

*The New Teacher’s Guide to the U.S. Department of Education* is designed to provide information about the latest departmental initiatives, an update on specific programs for schools and teachers, and a complete listing of the services and resources, both at our headquarters here in Washington, D.C, and in the field. With this in mind, its introductory pages provide information on the Department’s seven priorities, with detailed information on the teaching priority and a summary page on each of the other priorities. The introduction also presents information on President Clinton’s new Voluntary National Testing initiative and information on the national standards that are being or have been developed by various professional education associations and societies.

The second part of the book contains information about the Department’s grant programs and other programs that may be of interest to teachers. The Services and Resources section of the book provides detailed information about the services we provide and how to contact the various offices responsible for them. This section also provides a listing of federal Internet resources on education, which may be useful for teachers who use the Internet in their classrooms. The final section of the book provides information on various regional and field-based resources that the department funds through grants or contracts.

By compiling information on all of the U.S. Department of Education’s services to teachers, we hope to increase teachers’ access to the educational resources available throughout the country. I know that teachers aren’t in the habit of looking to the U.S. Department of Education for help, but the Department offers many valuable programs, services and publications for teachers. Think of this publication as a road map. It provides a general description of programs within the Department, and it is also a reference for specific needs or questions. We hope this guide is one step in what will become a lively dialogue between teachers and the U.S. Department of Education.

Sincerely,

Terry Knecht Dozier  
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## **CONTACT US!!!**

The Mission at the U.S. Department of Education is to ensure equal ACCESS to education and promote educational EXCELLENCE throughout the Nation.

In order to meet this goal, we think that it is imperative that our services are accessible to teachers. We want to help teachers make a difference in the classroom.

If you need more information about one of the programs that is mentioned in the Teacher's Guide, or are interested in learning more, please contact us at our web site <http://www.ed.gov> or call us at 1-800-USA-LEARN.

We also have a teacher's web page that is specifically targeted toward teachers and the issues that surround them. Please visit us at <http://www.ed.gov/inits/teachers/teach.html>





## Teaching—A National Priority

In his fifth State of the Union address, President Clinton announced a bold, far-reaching national crusade for education. The following week, he issued a *Call to Action for American Education* that set forth ten broad principles to guide the nation's education improvement agenda. The U.S. Department of Education developed seven national priorities in response to the president's address. These priorities will guide the activities of the Department over the next four years.

The highest academic standards, the best facilities, the strongest accountability measures, and the latest technology will do little good if we do not have a teaching force of the highest quality.

For this reason, one of the Department's priorities is ensuring that there is a talented, dedicated, and well-prepared teacher every classroom in the nation.

### The Challenge

Statistics from the National Center for Education Statistics and a recent report by the National Commission on Teaching and America's Future shows that we have a long way to go to ensure that this priority is met.

- American schools will need to hire two million teachers in the next decade because of increased student enrollment and the need to replace teachers who retire or otherwise leave the profession.

### The Seven National Priorities

*The first three priorities focus on specific results all students should achieve at critical points in their schooling:*

Read independently and well by the end of the third grade;

master challenging mathematics, including the foundations of algebra and geometry, by the end of the eighth grade;

by eighteen-years-old, be prepared for and be able to afford college;

*Priorities four through seven are key strategies to enable students to achieve these results:*

all states and their schools will have challenging and clear standards of achievement and accountability for all children and effective strategies for reaching these standards;

there will be a talented, dedicated, and well-prepared teacher in every classroom;

every classroom will be connected to the Internet by the year 2000, and all students will be technologically literate;

every school will be strong, safe, drug-free, and disciplined

## Reading Independently and Well by the End of the Third Grade

Reading is the foundation for all other learning. Our schools emphasize reading during the first three grades. By the fourth grade, we expect children to be good readers so that they can learn the rest of the core curriculum. For several years, Secretary Riley and the Department of Education have been stressing the importance of reading and improved literacy — through the Partnership for Family Involvement in Education and the *Read\*Write\*Now!* initiative, which connects children with reading partners during the summer.

The strategy for priority one involves three critical steps.

### **The America Reads Challenge**

In August 1996, President Clinton responded to our early childhood literacy problem by announcing the *America Reads Challenge*. The *America Reads Challenge* calls on all Americans to pitch in and help ensure that all children are reading independently by the end of the third grade. To achieve this, the initiative strives to provide all children with the reading supports that are currently available to only some children. These include: (1) actively involved parents, grandparents or mentors who read with their children from infancy onward; (2) quality preschool opportunities; and (3) high-quality in-school instruction.

### **Research Development and Dissemination of Information**

The success of the *America Reads Challenge* will depend on raising expectations nationwide, giving better information to educators about what works, and mobilizing people to help children become successful young readers. By finding examples of student work that meet challenging standards and disseminating those to the public, the Department can advance the public's understanding about the level of performance each child must attain. Through its research and development capacity, the Department of Education can promote the use of best practices in all programs supported by its funds.

### **New Voluntary National Test of Fourth Grade Reading in English**

President Clinton has proposed a new, challenging, voluntary, national test in fourth grade reading to show parents and teachers where individual students stand in relation to rigorous national standards. The test will be first administered in the Spring of 1999. This voluntary test will be developed based on the frameworks used to create the widely accepted National Assessment of Education Progress (NAEP) fourth grade reading test. The Department will make information available to help teachers, parents and students prepare for the test. The president believes that a challenging reading test based on high standards that produces individual scores for parents and teachers will raise expectations system wide, promote greater equity and help teachers and principals improve their education programs and help them rally parents and the broader community to pitch in and help students who need extra assistance.

- Only 13 percent of our nation's teachers are people of color, while only 30 percent of their students are. Over 40 percent of schools in the U.S. do not have a person of color on their faculty.
- Teacher turnover is a national problem. Twenty percent of new teachers leave the profession in the first three years because of inadequate preparation and a "sink or swim" approach to induction. New teachers are not receiving the support they deserve.
- Although no state will permit a person to write wills, practice medicine, fix plumbing, or style hair without completing training and passing an examination, more than 40 states allow districts to hire teachers who have not met these basic requirements.
- Roughly one-fourth of newly hired teachers lack the qualifications for their jobs.
- 25 percent of all teachers whose main assignments are in English, mathematics, science, social studies, and foreign language do not have even a minor in their field. This is true of 39 percent of the teachers in schools with high percentages of low-income students.

The magnitude of these problems and the need to hire unprecedented numbers of teachers provide an enormous impetus to dramatically change the ways in which we recruit, prepare, induct, and support the ongoing learning of teachers. We must insist on the highest standards for our teachers and ensure that they get the best training and support they need to teach to world-class standards.

### **Meeting the Challenge**

#### ***Recruiting Quality Teachers***

Within the next decade, over two million teachers must be hired to teach our children, and half of these will be newly-prepared teachers. Urban and rural schools will experience the greatest difficulties attracting and retaining qualified teachers, especially in subjects such as math and science. In addition, there is a growing gap between the diversity of our nation's students and that of their teachers.

The federal government cannot solve these recruitment challenges alone, but it can be a catalyst that stimulates the recruitment of teachers, especially minority teachers, where they are most needed. In its reauthorization proposal for Title V of the Higher Education Act, the U.S. Department of Education has proposed a targeted program supporting partnerships between institutions of higher education and school districts in underserved areas. Together the partners would determine the teaching needs of the districts, such as the need for a more diverse teaching force, for bilingual teachers, or for teachers in targeted subjects. The partnerships would then identify a pool of potential teachers fitting those needs, recruit individuals from this pool, and design high-quality preparation and induction programs tailored to those individuals.

## Mastering Challenging Mathematics, Including the Foundations of Algebra and Even Some Geometry, by the End of Eighth Grade

If reading well by fourth grade is the first crucial academic checkpoint, doing well in math by the eighth grade is the second. The vast majority of experts view mastery of basic math by the eighth grade, including the foundation of algebra and some geometry, as a core foundation for preparing to take rigorous college-prep courses in high school or succeed in high skill jobs. Expanding the opportunities for all children to master challenging math is at the heart of priority two.

As in reading, President Clinton plans to engage the country in an outreach effort to boost the math ability of American students. The strategy for supporting priority two involves taking two critical steps. The first step is providing all children with the opportunity to master the basics of mathematics and more rigorous math by the end of the eighth grade. This step has five key components:

- Build public understanding of and support for challenging mathematics.
- Support the efforts of parents, educators, business groups, and mathematics groups to help students achieve in mathematics.
- Support teachers' efforts to improve instruction.
- Work with the National Science Foundation and other agencies in an interagency task force to galvanize federal resources to support this effort.
- Provide support to upgrade curriculum in schools.

### Support New Voluntary National Test of Eighth Grade Mathematics

As part of ensuring that all students are competent in challenging mathematics by the end of the eighth grade, President Clinton has proposed a new voluntary national test in eighth grade math. The purpose of the test will be to raise awareness of this critical point in a student's academic career and motivate nationwide changes to enable students to achieve to more challenging standards in mathematics by the end of the eighth grade. The test will be based on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) eighth grade content framework and its scores will be equated to the NAEP and to the Third International Math and Science Study (TIMSS). Like the fourth grade reading test, the eighth grade math test will be funded by the U.S. Department of Education to be first administered in the Spring of 1999 in interested school districts and states.

### ***Strengthening Teacher Education***

Our nation faces three critical needs in teacher preparation. First, as a nation, we must identify best practices in teacher education. While there is little debate about what effective teachers need to know and be able to do in the classroom, our nation has not done the research and evaluation of teacher education programs that would tell us how best to prepare effective teachers. As a result, teacher preparation programs vary widely in approach and quality. Second, when exemplary teacher education practices are identified, they should be disseminated and spread to other institutions; otherwise, good programs will remain islands of excellence with little impact on the great majority of prospective teachers. Third, because quality teacher preparation demands strong collaboration with elementary and secondary schools, school districts and teacher preparation institutions must work together in real partnerships to prepare teachers.

The Lighthouse Partnership program proposed by the U.S. Department of Education for Title V of the Higher Education Act would authorize grants to partnerships between exemplary teacher preparation institutions, school districts, and other higher education institutions. The program would seek to identify and spread best practices in teacher education and would promote the vital role of K-12 educators in designing and implementing effective teacher preparation programs. The program would focus on preparing teachers for the most challenging settings—our schools in high-poverty areas. If the most effective methods of preparing teachers for those settings are identified and evaluated, they will be adaptable for all classrooms and should be disseminated nationwide.

### ***Improving Professional Development***

Research Indicates that teachers' knowledge and skills make a crucial difference in what students learn. Research also demonstrates the value of intensive and sustained high-quality professional development that is based on new models of teaching and learning. The current teaching force needs high-quality professional development of all teachers are to be able to teach a diverse student population to challenging standards.

The department examined the best available research and exemplary practices and worked with hundreds of educators around the country to develop the following principles of high-quality professional development:

*The mission of professional development is to prepare and support educators to help all students achieve to high standards of learning and development. Professional development:*

## By 18-Years-Old, Be Prepared Academically and Financially for College

A college education has never been more important than it is today. Increasingly, the world of work is becoming more and more complex. Only half the people entering the work force are even nominally prepared for this world. Our education system is still turning out millions of young people who simply are not equipped for today's world of work or to meet the challenges of the 21st century. In addition, although higher education is more important than ever, it has become more difficult for American families to afford it. Priority three calls for making two years of college -- the 13th and 14th years of education -- as universally available for young Americans as the first 12 are today.

### **Preparation for Postsecondary Education**

Students must take the appropriate courses in middle and high school and master the required academic content necessary to be accepted to and then benefit from college. The U.S. Department of Education has some existing programs that help to fulfill this initiative. Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act allows secondary schools to invest in activities that support college and career awareness and preparation. The School-to-Work Opportunities Act is already expanding educational, career and economic opportunities for more than 500,000 young people in 1,800 high schools by providing school-to-work activities. The Department's TRIO programs support postsecondary education outreach and student support services to encourage individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds to enter and complete college.

### **Helping Students and Families Pay for College**

The Department of Education, primarily through the Office of Postsecondary Education, supplies 70 percent of the financial aid given to college students through Pell Grants, work-study aid, and college loans. The 1997 tax agreement offers both tax incentives and an increase in Pell Grant funding to make college more affordable and accessible for all students. Under President Clinton's new Hope Scholarship, students will receive a tax credit of 100 percent on the first \$1,000 of tuition and fees and 50 percent on the second \$1,000. The president's plan also gives a 20 percent tax credit for the first two years of college, up to \$5,000 per tax year on education and training over the course of a lifetime. Students in low-income families also will have an increase in Pell Grants to help with college costs.

### **Changing Attitudes About Postsecondary Education: Think College Early**

As part of its higher education efforts, the Department will launch an initiative in the winter of 1998 that will inform parents of the sequence of courses their children need to take to enter college, encourage students to take those courses and provide parents with necessary financial planning information to take advantage of these new opportunities to go to college.

- . . . focuses on teachers as central to student learning, yet includes all other members of the community;
- . . . focuses on individual, collegial, and organizational improvement;
- . . . respects and nurtures the intellectual and leadership capacity of teachers, principals, and others in the school community;
- . . . reflects best available research and practice in teaching, learning, and leadership;
- . . . enables teachers to develop further expertise in subject content, teaching strategies, use of technologies, and other essential elements in teaching to high standards;
- . . . promotes continuous inquiry and improvement embedded in the daily life of schools;
- . . . is planned collaboratively by those who will participate in and facilitate that development;
- . . . requires substantial time and other resources;
- . . . is driven by a coherent long-term plan;
- . . . is evaluated ultimately on the basis of its impact on teacher effectiveness and student learning; and this assessment guides subsequent professional development efforts.

These principles guide the Department's professional development efforts. The Department is committed to improving and increasing funding for its existing professional development programs, the largest of which is the Dwight D. Eisenhower Professional Development Program. This program provides grants to state and local educational agencies, institutions of higher education, and other organizations to support high-quality professional development activities aligned with challenging teaching and student performance standards.

In addition, the National Awards Program for Model Professional Development emphasizes the importance of coherent, long-term professional development linked to student achievement. The awards program recognizes schools and districts that have improved student achievement through exceptional professional development programs for their teachers. Award winners are honored in Washington, DC and receive privately-funded monetary awards to support professional development activities and the dissemination of information about best practices to other schools. For more information about the National Awards Program, please call Sharon Horn, U.S. Department of Education at (202) 219-2203; or visit ED's web site, at [www.ed.gov](http://www.ed.gov).

## All States and Their Schools Will Have Challenging and Clear Standards of Achievement and Accountability for All Children and Effective Strategies for Reaching These Standards

Standards serve as a guide for and facilitate higher student achievement. With the help of federal resources, including the Goals 2000: Educate America Act, and the reauthorized Elementary and Secondary Education Act, communities in all 50 states are improving teaching and learning based on their own high standards in core academic subjects. The Department will continue supporting states', districts' and schools' efforts to address these challenges and strengthen their reforms geared to challenging standards. Its activities will include:

- Promoting concrete standards of excellence in reading and math and offer voluntary national tests in 1999 for fourth grade reading and eighth grade math.
- Helping states meet Title I's requirement for schools with high percentages of low-income students that they have challenging content and performance standards in at least math and English/language arts by the Fall of 1997 and high-quality aligned assessments by 2000-2001.
- Proposing funding increases for Department programs designed to assist local schools and states in implementing challenging standards.
- Emphasizing to the public and to educators the importance of fixing failing schools directly and quickly.



### ***Rewarding Master Teachers***

The Department has made a commitment to supporting master teachers and the work of the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards was created in 1987 after the Carnegie Forum on Education and the Economy's Task Force on Teaching as a Profession released *A Nation Prepared: Teachers for the 21st Century*. The report called for the creation of a National Board to "establish high standards for what teachers need to know and be able to do, and to certify teachers who meet that standard."

The National Board is an independent, nonprofit, nonpartisan and nongovernmental organization governed by a 63-member board of directors, a majority of whom are classroom teachers. The other directors include school administrators, school board leaders, governors and state legislators, higher education officials, and business and community leaders. The National Board's mission is to establish high and rigorous standards for what accomplished teachers should know and be able to do, to develop and operate a national voluntary system to assess and certify teachers who meet these standards, and to advance related education reforms for the purpose of improving student learning in American schools.

At the time of application, one must hold a baccalaureate degree, have taught a minimum of three years and have held a valid state teaching license for those three years or, where a license is not required, taught in schools recognized and approved to operate by the state. As of Fall 1997, only six certificates are available, reaching about half of the nation's elementary, middle, and high school teachers: Early Childhood/Generalist; Middle Childhood/Generalist; Early Adolescence/Generalist; Early Adolescence/English Language Arts; Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood/Art; Adolescence and Young Adulthood/Mathematics.

Funding from the U.S. Department of Education will help to complete the development of the assessments for the other certificates. The National Board also receives funds from private foundations, corporations, and revenues from certification fees.

For more information about the National Board, please call 1-800-22-TEACH or write to:

National Board for Professional Teaching Standards  
26555 Evergreen, Suite 400  
Southfield, MI 48076

## **Every Classroom Will Be Connected to the Internet by the Year 2000 and All Students Will Be Technologically Literate**

The Administration's current efforts in technology are designed to give equal access to all students, support the development of engaging and effective software and on-line resources as an integral part of the curriculum, and provide all teachers with the necessary training and support needed to use technology in the classroom.

The Department has focused its resources on two areas in which it believes it can leverage the greatest changes: infrastructure and equity. The Department has used four major strategies in these efforts:

Last year more than 40 states held Net Days, bringing together Americans to connect local schools to the Information Superhighway.

Under President Clinton, Vice President Gore and Secretary Riley's leadership, the Federal Communications Commission agreed, under the "E-rate" plan, to grant sharp discounts totaling \$2.25 billion annually in telecommunications services to the nation's neediest schools and libraries for discounts on technology installations, connection charges and monthly service costs.

The president has requested additional funding for the Technology Literacy Challenge Fund, designed to advance state, local, and private sector partnerships in each state to help achieve technology literacy and spur additional investment in educational technology.

The Technology Innovation Challenge Grants are discretionary grants provided to partnerships of school systems, colleges, universities, and private businesses to develop creative ways to use technology to improve teaching and learning.

### **Existing Department Programs**

Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act already provides \$500 million each year for educational technology. The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act emphasizes assistive technology. Funds from Goals 2000, Eisenhower Professional Development, Tech Prep and School-to-Work programs are also being used to integrate technology into the classroom.

## **Supporting Research, Development, and Dissemination**

The Department's Office of Educational Research and Improvement is supporting two new programs to focus on teacher issues, in addition to its ongoing research endeavors.

A new research center to study policy regarding teachers and teaching, headquartered at the University of Washington in Seattle, was funded in August, 1997. The center, a consortium of universities, will focus on ways educational policies can improve the recruitment and retention of capable teachers, develop their knowledge and skills, and support teachers' work and student learning simultaneously.

A new Partnership for Excellence and Accountability in Teaching, bringing together State and local education agencies, postsecondary education institutions, national professional organizations, and other stakeholders across the nation was funded in September 1997. The Partnership will be a comprehensive national effort to promote, support, and sustain effective and efficient strategies to prepare, induct, and provide career-long professional development for K-12 teachers.

## **Measuring Our Progress**

A Biennial National Report Card on Teacher Quality, to be issued by the Department starting in 1998, will constantly refocus public attention on the teaching profession and provide a way to assess the qualifications and efficacy of our nation's teaching force. The report card will measure a number of factors, including:

- the rate of teacher retention, especially retention of teachers in their first three years of teaching;
- the percentage of new teachers who are fully-certified in the subjects they teach;
- the percentage of new teachers who report that they feel well-prepared for the realities of the classroom and the challenges of teaching to rigorous standards;
- the diversity of the teaching force;
- the percentage of secondary teachers who have at least a minor in the subject they teach;

## Every School Will Be Strong, Safe, Drug-Free, and Disciplined

This priority aims to ensure strong and healthy school environments where children can learn best, incorporating three major areas -- school construction, safe and drug-free schools and charter schools.

### **School Construction**

A new schools' facilities clearinghouse, awarded in August 1997, will compile information on best practices on school design and school facility finances, convene conferences on school construction, and provide referral services.

### **Safe and Drug-Free Schools**

The president has emphasized that programs should reflect effective practices and be regularly evaluated and improved if they are not working. This will require expanding the research base on the most effective strategies to reduce drug use and violence among school-age children and the best ways to implement those strategies. To provide students additional safe havens after school where learning can continue to occur, the president also has requested funds to help communities keep their schools open longer as After-School Learning Centers.

### **Public School Choice and Charter Schools**

Charter schools are a promising vehicle for raising academic standards, empowering educators, involving parents and communities, and expanding public school choice and accountability in public education. President Clinton, Vice President Gore, and Secretary of Education Richard Riley have expressed their support for public charter schools--done right--as one of the dynamic elements in an overall education reform package to improve public schools. While charter school laws differ in some respects from state to state, they generally authorize charter schools that:

- are created and managed by groups of parents, teachers, and/or others
- are public schools
- are free from most education laws and regulations, but are accountable for results
- continue to operate only if they meet performance standards and other conditions of their charters
- tend to be smaller schools or have smaller classes, where students can have sustained relationships with caring adults

Schools receiving federal Charter School aid are public, non-sectarian, open to all students, non-selective, and in compliance with civil rights laws. The Administration is seeking to expand the number of states with laws supporting the formation of charter schools and is supporting conferences, guidebooks, a web site, and other resources to support quality Charter Schools.

- the percentage of teachers who report being engaged in intensive, sustained professional development that enables them to teach to challenging standards; and
- the percentage of nationally board certified teachers.

## **The Priorities and Their Programs**

The following is a list of the seven priorities and some of the programs that address their goals. Information about each of the programs can be found via the Department of Education web page at <http://www.ed.gov> or by calling **1-800-USA-LEARN**.

### **Priority 1: To read independently by the end of the third grade.**

America Reads Challenge; America Goes Back to School; Voluntary National Tests; Read\*Write\*Now!; Title I; Goals 2000: Educate America Act

### **Priority 2: To master challenging mathematics, including the foundations of algebra and geometry by the end of the eighth grade.**

Third International Math and Science Study (TIMSS); Eisenhower National Clearinghouse for Mathematics and Science Education (ENC); Voluntary National Tests; Goals 2000

### **Priority 3: By age 18, to be prepared for and able to afford at least two years of college, and to pursue lifelong learning.**

America's HOPE Scholarship Proposal; Direct Loan Program; Project EASI (Easy Access for Students and Institutions); Early College Awareness for Middle School Students: The Message Starts Early

### **Priority 4: To have their classroom connected to the Internet by the year 2000 and to be technologically literate.**

State Technology Literacy Challenge Fund grants; Technology Innovation Challenge Grants; Regional Technology and Education Consortia; Star Schools; Distance Learning Program

**Priority 5: To learn in strong, safe, and drug-free schools.**

Safe and Drug Free Schools Program; Charter Schools; Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 -- Elementary and Secondary Education Act

**Priority 6: All states and their schools will have challenging and clear standards of achievement and accountability.**

Voluntary National Tests; Goals 2000; School-to-Work Opportunities Act; Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 -- Elementary and Secondary Education Act; Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

**Priority 7: To have a talented, dedicated, and well-prepared teacher in their classroom.**

Title V Proposal; Eisenhower Professional Development Program; National Awards Program for Professional Development; National Board for Professional Teaching Standards; Teacher Policy Center; Partnership for Excellence and Accountability in Teaching; Goals 2000

## **Voluntary National Tests in Reading and Math A Strategy to Master the Basics and Reach High Standards**

In his State of the Union Address, President Clinton challenged each state to test every fourth grader in reading and eighth grader in math to ensure that high academic standards are met nationwide. The voluntary national tests are a tool that teachers and parents can use to raise awareness of these critical points in a student's academic career and to motivate nationwide changes to enable students to achieve more challenging standards.

The U.S. Department of Education is offering every state and school district the opportunity to use voluntary national tests of fourth grade reading and eighth grade mathematics beginning in 1999. These rigorous tests will provide teachers and parents, for the first time, scores for individual students, measured against widely accepted national and international standards of excellence. They will give states, local communities, teachers and parents the kind of accurate information they need to help students master basic and advanced skills and strengthen academic performance. Individual test scores will *not* be collected by the federal government; states and local school districts will decide how to report and use the individual data.

The tests will be modeled on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), which is used in over 40 states. The NAEP tests are based on widely accepted standards developed by teachers, reading and mathematics specialists, curriculum specialists, researchers and parents. The NAEP standards reflect a national consensus of what students should know and be able to do when they reach these crucial stages of learning. Students' scores from the voluntary national tests will be linked to NAEP as well as the Third International Math and Science Study (TIMSS) which will allow students to know how they compare to their peers in 40 other countries.

To assist teachers, principals, parents and communities in using the tests effectively, the U.S. Department of Education, the National Science Foundation and others are developing a tool kit that includes information on how to prepare to meet these high standards, how to use test results to improve education and instruction, and a sample of possible components of high standards in reading and mathematics. As part of this effort, every year after the tests are given, the entire tests (along with answers, scoring guides, and other materials) will be released to the public and be available on the Internet. Educators may use this information to upgrade the curriculum, strengthen teacher preparation and professional development, and promote parental and community involvement in learning.

For more information, visit the tests web site at <http://www.ed.gov/nationaltests> or contact Missy Kincaid at the Department of Education at (202) 219-2042.





## Raising Academic Standards

In order to raise academic standards for American students, voluntary standards have been developed in various subject areas. Encouraged by the success of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics' (NCTM) *Curriculum and Evaluation Standards for School Mathematics* in 1989, other discipline-based organizations have developed standards. Thousands of teachers, scholars, administrators, parents, and other members of the public have participated in shaping academic standards of what students should know and be able to do.

While states establish their own standards voluntarily and without direction from outside agencies, they often check their standards against those developed, or being developed, by national discipline-based organizations. As of March 1997, the voluntary standards listed below have been completed and might be useful as a resource to communities seeking to establish their own standards for students. In addition, communities might want to check with state departments of education and discipline-based organizations to find out the status of other standards not yet released.

### **Arts**, released March 1994

Music Educators National Conference  
1806 Robert Fulton Drive  
Reston, VA 22091  
(800) 828-0229

National Standards for Arts Education;  
Item #1605; cost \$15.00

### **Civics and Government**, released November 1994

Center for Civic Education  
5146 Douglas Fir Road  
Calabasas, CA 91302-1467  
(800) 350-4223

*National Standards for Civics and  
Government*, ISBN 0-89818-155-0; cost  
\$12.00 plus s/h, discount for bulk orders  
(sales tax charged in CA)

### **Economics**, available in April 1998

EconomicsAmerica  
National Council on Economic  
Education  
1140 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, NY 10036  
(212) 730-7007

### **English Language Arts**, released March 1996

National Council of Teachers of English  
Book Order Department  
1111 West Kenyon Road  
Urbana, IL 61801  
(800) 369-6283

*Standards for the English Language  
Arts*;  
cost \$18.00 plus \$1.50 s/h

International Reading Association  
Order Department  
800 Barksdale Road  
P.O. Box 8139  
Newark, DE 19714-8139  
(800) 336-7323, ext. 266

*Standards for English Language Arts*;  
cost \$18.00 plus \$3.00 s/h.

**Foreign Languages**, released  
December 1995

American Council on the Teaching of  
Foreign Languages  
6 Executive Plaza  
Yonkers, NY 10701-6801  
(914) 963-8830

1-9 copies \$20.00 each plus s/h  
10 or more \$15.00 plus s/h

**Geography**, released October 1994

National Council of Geographic  
Education  
1145 17th Street, N W  
Washington, DC 20036-4688  
(202) 775-7832

*Geography for Life: National Geography  
Standards, 1994*; item # 01775; ISBN  
0-7922-2775-1; cost \$9.00, discount for  
bulk orders (sales tax charged in CA,  
DC, MD, MI, Canada)

**History**, released April 1996

University of California, Los Angeles  
Associated Student  
General Book Division  
308 Westwood Plaza  
Los Angeles, CA 90024-4108  
(310) 206-0788

*National Standards for History, Basic  
Edition*; cost \$15.95 plus \$5.00 s/h.

**Mathematics**, released in 1989

The National Council of Teachers of  
Mathematics  
1906 Association Drive  
Reston, VA 22091  
(703) 620-9840

*Curriculum and Evaluation Standards  
for School Mathematics*; Item #98E1;  
ISBN  
0-87353-273-2; cost \$25.00, discount  
for bulk orders

**Physical Education**, released 1995

National Association for Sport and  
Physical Education  
1900 Association Drive  
Reston, VA 22091  
(703) 476-3410

*Moving Into the Future—National  
Standards for Physical Education*;  
\$22.00 plus s/h

**Science**

*National Science Education Standards*,  
released January 1996  
2101 Constitution Avenue, NW  
HA 486  
Washington, DC 20418  
(202) 334-1368

and

*Benchmarks for Science Literacy*,  
released 1989  
American Association for the  
Advancement of Science  
1333 H Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20005  
(202) 326-6660

**Skill Standards**—22 pilot projects

U.S. Department of Education  
Office of Vocational and Adult  
Education  
330 C Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20202  
(202) 260-9576

and

U.S. Department of Labor  
Office of Policy and Research  
200 Constitution Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20210  
(202) 208-7018

**Social Studies**

National Council for the  
Social Studies  
3501 Newark Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20016-3167  
(202) 966-7840, x116

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Improvement  
National Institute on Student  
Achievement, Curriculum and  
Assessment  
U.S. Department of Education  
555 New Jersey Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20208  
(202) 219-2079



# Grant and Other Programs

The U.S. Department of Education funds and administers education programs for a variety of purposes and populations. It also recognizes and rewards excellence and improvement by students, schools, and communities. This guide briefly describes those programs that are relevant to teachers and the offices that manage them. (It is by no means a comprehensive listing of all the services the Department provides.) It also lists telephone numbers (and in some cases names) you can call with specific questions in these areas. Before describing the programs themselves, it is important to provide a definition of the types of grant programs that exist in the federal government.

Federal legislation that establishes programs of assistance provides varying degrees of discretion to the federal agency in the administration of the programs. One of the basic variables is the degree to which the federal agency is allowed to determine to whom and how much assistance will be provided. When Congress wishes to make that decision itself, it normally provides a formula.

*Formula Grants.* Money provided under a formula grant program is allotted according to a pre-set formula, based on population, per capita income, specialized clientele, or some other measure of need or a combination of measures specified in the authorizing legislation. Such grants are usually made to state governments but may be made to local governments and can be passed through state governments to institutions within the state. There may be provisions for reallocation of unused funds or restrictions on the rate of program growth or decline. Also specified is the percentage of program cost that the federal government will share with the recipient population to be served. Whatever the formula, the discretion of the federal agency is limited to applying the formula and to setting rules for operation of the program within the limits of the formula.

*Discretionary Grants.* When Congress does not provide a formula for the distribution of available funds, the Department is able to exercise a certain amount of discretion consistent with the authorizing legislation (hence the term *discretionary grants*) concerning who may participate in the program, the extent of participation, or both. When this occurs, it is necessary to establish criteria for selection and for program size and growth. It is also necessary to establish some mechanism for competition among applicants.

General requirements and selection criteria for discretionary grant programs without specific regulations are spelled out in the Education Department General Administrative Regulations. For most discretionary grant programs, the Department issues specific program regulations that are published in the *Federal Register* and codified annually in the *Code of Federal Regulations*. In addition, for each program, the Department publishes a notice in the *Federal Register* each time it invites applications for a new grant award competition. The Department also publishes in the *Federal Register* other notices related to a discretionary grant competition (e.g., notices of proposed and final annual priorities applicable to a grant competition in a particular program).



## **Office of Elementary and Secondary Education**

### **Title I—Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Education Agencies**

#### **Support for At-Risk Children**

The new Title I has one overriding goal: to improve the teaching and learning of children in high-poverty schools to enable them to meet challenging academic content and performance standards. To accomplish this goal, Title I supports new roles for schools, districts, states and the federal government. Schools will decide how to spend their Title I resources and have more leeway in combining their resources to support comprehensive reform through schoolwide programs; local education agencies will play a new, critical role through providing consultation, coordination, and high-quality professional development; states will anchor the program by developing challenging academic standards and linking Title I with their overall school reform efforts; and the federal government will work to support states, districts, and schools as they strive to make these changes work.

#### **Parental and Community Involvement**

The new Title I emphasizes three components of parental involvement: (1) policy involvement at the school and district level, including parental involvement in developing school-level programs; (2) building capacity for involvement through such means as increased training and enhanced involvement of community-based organizations; and, for the first time, (3) shared parent and school responsibility for improved student achievement, embodied in school-parent compacts.

Title I school-community connections are improved in the new law by fostering integration of Title I with other education, health and social service programs. The new provisions (1) ask school districts to coordinate and integrate Title I services with other educational services, including Even Start, Head Start, and School-to-Work services, and, to the extent feasible and where necessary, with other agencies providing health and social services to children; (2) allow Title I schools to work with the community to provide health, nutrition, and other social services that are not otherwise available to the children being served; and (3) require districts and schools to address the transition needs of children, particularly as they move from pre-school to school.

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## **GOALS 2000 Programs**

The GOALS 2000: Educate America Act is based on the premise that higher expectations produce better performance, that academic standards should be raised, and that schools and teachers should be specific about what they expect children to learn. Goals 2000 challenges states and communities to develop and implement challenging academic content standards, student performance standards and assessments, and plans for improving teacher training. The purpose of Goals 2000 is to improve teaching and learning through long-term and broad-based efforts so that all students in a state will reach to challenging academic standards. The program includes a peer review process for the evaluation of state plans, thus affording the opportunity for participating states to learn from the experience of other states and communities and to request technical assistance.

- o Thomas Fagan, (202) 205-0303 or Goals 2000 program office, 401-0039  
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### **Parental Assistance**

GOALS 2000 provides grants to establish parental information and resource centers to provide training, information, and support to parents of children from birth through secondary school. Nonprofit organizations and nonprofit organizations working in consortia with local education agencies can apply for funds through this program.

- o Goals 2000 program office, 401-0039.

## **School Improvement Programs**

School improvement programs provide financial assistance to state and local education agencies, institutions of higher education, and other public and private nonprofit organizations for a wide variety of programs designed to improve elementary and secondary education throughout the country.

### **Dwight D. Eisenhower Professional Development State Grants**

The Eisenhower Program (also known as Title II) supports high-quality, sustained, and intensive professional development activities in the core academic subjects aligned to challenging state content and student performance standards to improve teaching and learning. Title II funds primarily support teacher improvement efforts at the district and school levels based on those districts' and schools' comprehensive review of their professional development needs. This program encourages the integration of professional development into the daily life of the school, moving beyond traditional one-day, "one-shot" workshops.

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### **Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Programs**

The Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Program provides funds to assist states, schools, and communities in the design, implementation, and evaluation of alcohol and drug education and prevention programs. Teachers can receive training and materials. These services are available to teachers through the following grant programs:

#### **State Grants**

This formula grant program provides support to state education agencies (SEAs) and governors for a variety of drug and violence prevention activities focused primarily on school-age youth. SEAs are required to distribute 91 percent of funds to local education agencies for drug and violence prevention. Activities authorized under the statute include developing instructional materials; counseling services; professional development programs for school personnel, students, law enforcement officials, judicial officials, or community leaders; implementing conflict resolution, peer mediation, and mentoring programs; implementing character education programs and community service projects; establishing safe zones of passage for students to and from school; and acquiring and installing metal detectors and hiring security personnel. 30 percent of the funds distributed to LEAs must be awarded to LEAs with the greatest need for additional funds for drug and violence prevention; the remaining 70 percent of funds must be awarded to LEAs based on enrollment. Governors use their program funds to provide support to parent groups, community-based organizations, and other public and private nonprofit entities for drug and violence prevention activities that complement the SEA/LEA portion of the program. Governors give priority to programs that serve youth not normally served by LEAs or students in need of additional services.

Teachers should contact their principal or superintendent to find out more about the services that their school district provides under this program. Each SEA and governor's office also has a contact person who oversees the state's program. Information on state contacts is available through the national office.

- o Deborah Rudy, (202) 260-3954  
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#### **National Programs**

These programs are intended to prevent violence and the illegal use of drugs and promote safety and discipline at all educational levels, from preschool through postsecondary, and require coordination with other appropriate

federal activities designed to prevent drug use and violence among students at all educational levels. National programs provide direct support for classroom teaching through initiatives such as development and dissemination of drug and violence prevention materials including model programs, best practice teacher training, and supplementary materials for use by students and parent education.

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### **Innovative Education Program Strategies**

Innovative Education Program Strategies (Title IV) are designed to: (1) support local education reform efforts which are consistent with and support statewide reform efforts under the GOALS 2000: Educate America Act; (2) support state and local efforts to accomplish the National Education Goals; (3) provide funding to enable state and local educational agencies to implement promising educational reform programs; (4) provide a continuing source of innovation, and educational improvement, including support for library services and instructional and media materials; and (5) meet the special educational needs of at-risk and high-cost students. Training opportunities for teachers and other education staff may be incorporated into many of the eight innovative assistance areas.

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### **Ellender Fellowships**

The Ellender Fellowship Program provides funds to the Close Up Foundation, a nonpartisan, nonprofit foundation that promotes knowledge and understanding of the Federal government. Close Up allocates fellowships to low-income students and their teachers, students of migrant parents, economically disadvantaged older Americans, and recent immigrants, to enable them to participate in Close Up's program and increase their understanding of the federal government.

- o Barbara Krebs, (703) 706-3300  
e-mail: outreach@closeup

### **Christa McAuliffe Fellowships**

The Christa McAuliffe Fellowship program provides grants to states to reward excellence in teaching. Outstanding teachers receive fellowships to continue their education, to develop innovative programs, to consult with or assist local education agencies, private schools, or private school systems, and to engage in other education activities that will improve their knowledge and skills as well as the

education of students. Information about the program is available through the state administrator.

- o Steve O'Brien, (202) 260-2141  
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### **Women's Educational Equity**

The Women's Educational Equity program promotes educational equity for women and girls at all levels of education and provides financial assistance to enable educational institutions to meet the requirements of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. It is also intended to provide educational equity for women and girls who suffer multiple discrimination, bias, or stereotyping based on sex and/or race, ethnic origin, disability, or age. The program provides financial assistance to public agencies, private nonprofit organizations and institutions, and individuals to develop and implement model equity programs in schools throughout the nation. Awards are made in two categories--*Implementation grants* and *research and development grants*.

- o Carolyn Andrews, (202) 260-2670  
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### **Magnet Schools Assistance in Desegregating School Districts**

The Magnet Schools Assistance Program assists in the desegregation of public schools by supporting the elimination, reduction, and prevention of minority group isolation in elementary and secondary schools with substantial numbers of minority group students. They also permit the development and implementation of magnet schools that assist in the achievement of systemic reforms and provide all students with the opportunity to meet challenging content and student performance standards; the development and design of innovative education methods and practices; and courses of instruction in magnet schools that strengthen students' knowledge of academic subjects and their grasp of tangible and marketable vocational skills. Only local education agencies that are part of a court-ordered or federally approved desegregation program are eligible to apply.

- o Sylvia Wright, (202) 260-3778  
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## **Desegregation Assistance, Civil Rights Training, and Advisory Services**

The Desegregation Assistance, Civil Rights Training and Advisory Services program is authorized by Title IV of the Civil Rights Act. Under this program, state educational agencies (SEAs) and Desegregation Assistance Centers (DACs) help public schools address problems resulting from race, sex, and national origin, desegregation, and equity issues. Upon request, technical assistance, training, and advisory services are provided by 10 regional DACs and SEAs. Typical activities include: technical assistance in the identification and selection of appropriate education programs to meet the needs of limited-English proficient students, training designed to develop educators' skills in specific areas such as the identification of race and sex bias in instructional materials; and the dissemination of information on successful education practices and legal requirements related to nondiscrimination on the basis of race, sex, and national origin in education programs.

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## **Education for Homeless Children and Youth**

The Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program makes formula grants to state educational agencies (which in turn make subgrants to local educational agencies) to ensure that each child of a homeless individual and all homeless youth have access to a free, appropriate public education and social services.

- o Tanesha Hembrey, (202) 260-1719  
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## **Even Start Family Literacy**

The Even Start Family Literacy Program makes formula grants to state educational agencies (which in turn make subgrants to local education agencies and other entities), and discretionary grants to Indian tribes and tribal organizations, and to states for the children of migratory workers, to provide family-centered education projects. The goals are: to help parents become full partners in the education of their children, to assist children in reaching their full potential as learners, and to provide literacy training for their parents.

- o Patricia McKee, (202) 260-0991  
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## **Public Charter Schools**

The Public Charter Schools Program provides financial assistance for the design and initial implementation of charter schools created by teachers, parents, and other members of local communities. Grants are available, on a competitive basis, to state education agencies (SEAs) in states that have charter school laws; the SEAs in turn make subgrants to authorized public chartering agencies in partnership with developers of charter schools. If an eligible SEA elects not to participate or if its application for funding is not approved, the Department can make grants directly to eligible local partnerships.

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- o John Feigel, (202) 260-2671  
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### **Prevention and Intervention Programs for Children and Youth Who Are Neglected and Delinquent or At Risk of Dropping Out**

This program, also known as the Neglected and Delinquent Children Program, provides formula grants to state education agencies (SEAs) for supplement-ary education services to help provide education continuity for children and youth in state-run institutions for juveniles and in adult correctional institutions, so that these youth can make successful transitions to school or employment once they are released from state institutions. Funds are allocated by formula to SEAs, which make subgrants to the state agencies responsible for educating neglected or delinquent children and youth.

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### **Technology Literacy Challenge Fund**

Technology Literacy Challenge Fund grants support the development and implementation of systemic technology plans at the state, local, and school levels to improve the teaching and learning of all children. The four major goals of the program are: (1) all teachers will have the training and support they need to help all students learn through computers and through the information superhighway; (2) all teachers and students will have modern computers in their classrooms; (3) every classroom will be connected to the information superhighway; and (4) effective and engaging software and online resources will be an integral part of every school curriculum.

- o Thomas Fagan, (202) 401-0039  
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### **Comprehensive Regional Assistance Centers**

This program funds 15 grantees who provide comprehensive training and technical assistance services to states, local education agencies, schools, Indian tribes, community-based organizations, and other recipients of federal funds under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). The purpose of the centers is to

help coordinate and integrate the implementation of ESEA and other federal education programs with state and local activities in ways that support federal, state, and local efforts to improve teaching and learning and increase the academic achievement of all children.

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### **Parental Assistance Centers**

Parent information and resource centers provide parents with training, information, and support to help them better understand their children's education needs and help them achieve high standards. Centers use funds to: (1) coordinate with existing programs that support parents in helping their children get ready for school and reach high standards; (2) develop resource materials and provide information about high-quality family involvement programs to families, schools, school districts, and others through conferences, workshops, and dissemination of materials; and (3) support a variety of promising models of family involvement programs including Parents as Teachers program (PAT) of Home Instruction for Preschool Youngsters (HIPPIY).

- o Thomas Fagan (202) 401-0039  
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### **Indian Education**

The Office of Indian Education funds special programs to improve education opportunities for Indian children and adults, and to address the culturally related academic needs of Indian children. Information about the various Indian education programs is available through the national office.

- o David Beaulieu, (202) 260-3774  
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### **Migrant Education**

The Office of Migrant Education administers and coordinates programs relating to the education of the children of migratory agricultural workers and fishers. Information about the various Migrant Education Programs is available through the Office of Migrant Education.

- o Bayla White, (202) 260-1164  
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## **Impact Aid**

The Impact Aid program makes formula grants to school districts that serve federally connected students (e.g., military dependents and children living on Indian lands) and to certain school districts containing a significant amount of federal property. Funds generally may be used for general education purposes, and teachers are frequently responsible for distributing and collecting survey forms used to identify eligible students.

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## **Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services**

### **The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)**

On June 4, 1997, President Clinton signed the bipartisan IDEA legislation into law. The new IDEA legislation aims to strengthen academic expectations and accountability for the nation's 5.4 million children with disabilities, and bridge the gap that has too often existed between what those children learn and the regular curriculum.

IDEA will make these changes by:

- raising expectations for children with disabilities;
- increasing parental involvement in the education of their children;
- ensuring that regular education teachers are involved in planning and assessing children's progress;
- including children with disabilities in assessments, performance goals, and reports to the public;
- supporting quality professional development for all personnel who are involved in educating children with disabilities.

The Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS) supports programs that assist in educating children and youth with disabilities, provides for the rehabilitation of youth and adults with disabilities, and supports research to improve the lives of individuals with disabilities. OSERS is divided into three offices: the Office of Special Education Programs; the Rehabilitation Services Administration; and the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research.

## **The Office of Special Education Programs**

The Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) is responsible for administering programs relating to the free appropriate public education of all children, youth, and adults with disabilities. OSEP oversees programs to expand and improve special education, administers grants to state education agencies to help state and local districts serve children and youth with disabilities, and monitors state programs to ensure that students with disabilities receive appropriate education and that their rights and those of their parents or guardians are protected. OSEP also administers programs to train special education teachers and conducts research in improved methods of special education. Some grants are given to all the states according to a formula prescribed in congressional legislation authorizing the program; others are awarded to individuals or institutions on the merit of competitive applications.

- o Thomas Hehir, (202) 205-5507  
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## **The Rehabilitation Services Administration**

The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) allocates grants to state vocational rehabilitation agencies to help individuals with physical or mental disabilities obtain employment through counseling, medical and psychological services, job training, and other individualized services. Priority is given to those individuals who are severely disabled. RSA also funds programs that train rehabilitation professionals, enrich the lives of individuals with disabilities, increase their employment opportunities, or enable people with severe disabilities to live more independently with their families or in their communities.

- o David Ziskind, (202) 205-5474  
David\_Ziskind@ed.gov

## **The National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research**

The National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) provides leadership and support for a comprehensive and coordinated national and inter-national program of rehabilitation research. NIDRR's most important goal is to find ways to ensure that disabled persons have the opportunity to live independently. Working with both federal and private-sector organizations, NIDRR develops and implements long-range plans for rehabilitation research and coordinates the work of all federal agencies supporting or conducting such research. NIDRR also participates in the international exchange of rehabilitation experts and information and, through the U.S. Department of



State, participates in U.S. rehabilitation research projects with foreign governments as well as in other international rehabilitation research and demonstration projects.

- o Catherine Seelman, (202) 205-8134  
Kate\_Seelman@ed.gov

*The following list provides information on specific OSERS programs:*

### **Clearinghouses for Children and Youth with Disabilities**

The Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services sponsors three clearinghouses focusing on children with disabilities, postsecondary education for individuals with disabilities, and professions in special education. The National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities provides parents, professionals, and others with information regarding the diverse issues related to the education of children with disabilities. (Refer to the appendices for a listing of the Center and its address and phone number.)

- o Marie Roane, (202) 205-8971  
Marie\_Roane@ed.gov

### **Early Education Program for Children with Disabilities**

The program provides support for projects designed to assist states to serve infants, toddlers, and preschool-age children with disabilities; and to assist states and local entities in expanding and improving programs and services for these children and their families. It addresses the needs of programs serving infants and toddlers from birth through age 2 who experience developmental delays, have conditions that have a high probability of resulting in developmental delays, or are at risk of having substantial developmental delay if early intervention services are not provided. Children ages 3 through 8 are also included if, as a result of disability, they require special education, and children ages 3 through 5 who need special education because of a developmental delay are included at the discretion of the state.

- o Gail Houle, (202) 205-9045  
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### **Early Intervention Program for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities**

This program provides formula grants to states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Secretary of the Interior, and the outlying areas to assist them in developing and implementing statewide systems of coordinated, comprehensive multidisciplinary, interagency programs of early intervention services for infants and toddlers with

disabilities. Allocations are based on the number of children in the general population from birth through age 2. States are responsible for making services available to all children with disabilities from birth through age 2 and their families, including Indian children served through Department of the Interior schools. States may also elect to provide services to infants and toddlers who are at risk of having substantial developmental delays if services are not provided.

- o Bobbi Stettner-Eaton, (202) 205-8828  
e-mail: Bobbi\_Stettner-Eaton@ed.gov

### **Educational Media Research, Production, Distribution, and Training Program**

This program has a three-fold purpose: to promote the general welfare of deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals, general welfare of individuals who are visually impaired, and education advancement of individuals with disabilities through media related activities specified in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

- o Ernie Hairston, (202) 205-9172  
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### **Grants to States for the Education of Children with Disabilities**

This program provides formula grants to states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Secretary of the Interior, and Outlying Areas to assist them in meeting the costs of providing special education and related services to children with disabilities.

- o Ruth Ryder, (202) 205-5547  
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### **Knowledge Dissemination and Utilization**

These projects support information utilization and dissemination, including state-of-the-art assessments and diffusion centers, to ensure that knowledge generated from research is available and can be fully used to improve services, opportunities, and conditions for persons with disabilities. Projects that provide technical assistance and training to state and local governments and private businesses regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act and facilitate implementation of the ADA without litigation or hardship are also included under this activity.

- o Kate Seelman, (202) 205-8134  
e-mail: <http://www.ed.gov/offices/osers/nidrr>

### **Parent Training and Information Centers**

The purpose of this program is to provide training and information to parents of children with disabilities and persons who work with parents to enable such

individuals to participate more effectively with professionals in meeting the education needs of children with disabilities. Centers are required to address the unique training and information needs of parents and must assist parents to: (1) understand the needs and potential of their children with disabilities; (2) provide follow-up support for their children's education programs; (3) communicate more effectively with professionals; (4) participate fully in education decision making; (5) obtain information about program services and resources and the degree to which they are appropriate to meet the needs of their children with disabilities; and (6) understand the provisions for educating children with disabilities under the Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

- o Merri Pearson (202) 205-9093  
e-mail: Merri\_Pearson@ed.gov

### **Preparation of Personnel for the Education of Children with Disabilities**

The purpose of this program is to increase the quantity and improve the quality of personnel available to serve children with disabilities. Grants are awarded competitively to institutions of higher education, state education agencies, and other appropriate nonprofit agencies.

- o Ed Moore, (202) 205-9048  
e-mail: Ed\_Moore@ed.gov

### **Preschool Grants for Children with Disabilities**

This program provides formula grants to states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the outlying areas on the basis of the number of children with disabilities ages 3 through 5 served in each state. States must distribute at least 75 percent of their grant awards to local education agencies and intermediate education units. They may retain up to 20 percent of their awards for the planning and development of a comprehensive service delivery system for children from birth to age 5 years. Up to 5 percent may be retained for administration.

- o Nancy Treusch, (202) 205-9097  
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### **Program for Children and Youth with Serious Emotional Disturbance**

The purpose of this program is to improve special education and related services for children with serious emotional disturbance. In addition to addressing the needs of children with disabilities, the program also supports projects to prevent children with

emotional and behavioral problems from developing serious emotional disturbances that require special interventions.

- o Lou Danielson, (202) 205-8119  
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### **Program for Children and Youth with Severe Disabilities**

The purpose of this program is to improve early intervention, special education, and related services for children with severe disabilities, including deaf-blindness. Children with severe disabilities are those who, because of the intensity of their physical, mental, or emotional problems, need highly specialized education, social, psychological, and medical services. Included in this group are children with severe emotional disturbance, autism, severe and profound mental retardation, and those who have two or more serious disabilities such as deaf-blindness, or mental retardation and blindness.

- o Anne Smith, (202) 205-8888  
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### **Protection and Advocacy of Individual Rights**

The purpose of the program is to support systems that protect the legal and human rights of individuals with disabilities who are ineligible for protection and advocacy services provided under other similar programs. Grant funds are used to ensure the protection of rights for eligible individuals, such as the right of children with disabilities to a free appropriate public education under the individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Grant funds are not used to provide education services.

- o RoseAnn Ashby, (202) 205-8719  
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### **Regional Resource and Federal Centers Programs**

The purpose of this program is to provide consultation, technical assistance, and training, as requested, to state education agencies and, through these agencies, to local education agencies and other appropriate public agencies to aid these agencies in providing special education, related services, and early intervention services to infants, toddlers, children, and youth with disabilities and their families.

- o Marie Roane, (202) 205-8451  
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### **Research in Education of Individuals with Disabilities**

The purpose of this program is to advance and improve the knowledge base and improve the practice of professionals, parents, and others who provide early intervention, special education, and related services to children with disabilities. The program supports a wide range of projects in research and related activities such as technical assistance and dissemination activities.

- o Tom Hanley, (202) 205-8971  
e-mail: Tom\_Hanley@ed.gov

### **Secondary Education and Transitional Services Program for Youth with Disabilities**

The purpose of this program is to assist youth with disabilities in the transition from secondary school to postsecondary environments, such as postsecondary education and competitive or supported employment. It is also to improve secondary special education and vocational life skills for children with disabilities. Cooperative agreements are awarded to states based on joint applications from state education and vocational rehabilitation agencies to develop, implement, and improve systems to provide transition services for youth with disabilities from age 14 through the age they exit school. These one-time only awards are made competitively for a five-year period.

- o Mike Ward, (202) 205-8163  
e-mail: Mike\_Ward@ed.gov

### **Services for Children with Deaf-Blindness**

This program assists states in providing early intervention, special education and related services to infants, toddlers, children, and youth who are deaf-blind; assists agencies that are preparing adolescents who are deaf-blind for adult placement; and supports research, development, replication, preservice and in-service training, parental involvement activities, and other activities to improve services to children who are deaf-blind.

- o Charles Freeman, (202) 205-8165  
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### **State Assistive Technology Grants**

The National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) supports consumer-driven state plans for the delivery of assistive technology devices and

services. The goal is to eliminate programmatic, policy, and other barriers that keep persons with disabilities from enjoying the benefits of assistive technology.

- o Kate Seelman, (202) 205-8134  
e-mail: <http://www.ed.gov/offices/osers/nidrr>

### **Technology, Educational Media, and Materials for Individuals with Disabilities**

The purpose of this program is to advance the availability, quality, use, and effectiveness of technology, education media, and materials in the education of children and youth with disabilities. It also provides for early intervention services to infants and toddlers with disabilities.

- o Jane Hauser, (202) 205-8126  
Jane\_Hauser@ed.gov

### **Training Interpreters for Individuals Who Are Deaf and Individuals Who Are Deaf-Blind**

This program is designed to establish interpreter training programs or to assist ongoing programs to train a sufficient number of skilled interpreters throughout the country in order to meet the communication needs of individuals who are deaf and individuals who are deaf-blind by: (a) training manual, tactile, oral, and cued speech interpreters; (b) ensuring the maintenance of the skills of interpreters; and © providing opportunities for interpreters to raise their level of competence.

- o Victor Galloway, (202) 205-9252  
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## **Office of Postsecondary Education Programs**

### **Center for International Education, Advanced Training and Research**

#### **Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad Program**

The Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad Program is designed to increase mutual understanding between people of the United States and those of other countries by offering qualified American educators opportunities to participate in short-term seminars abroad. Applications for this program are accepted through the Fulbright-Hays program.

- o Linda Byrd-Johnson, (202) 401-9798  
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## Higher Education Programs

### Minority Teacher Recruitment

This program is designed to improve recruitment and training opportunities in education for minority individuals, including language minority individuals; increase the number of minority teachers, including minority language teachers; and prepare and place students as teachers in urban and rural public or private nonprofit elementary or secondary schools with at least 50 percent minority enrollment. The program funds remedial and tutoring programs; counseling and support services; academic advice; and guidance in course selection to prepare for such areas as teacher certification, teaching mentors, motivational development, future teachers clubs, and instruction in test-taking skills.

- o Vicki Payne, (202) 260-7615  
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### Talent Search

The Talent Search program identifies and assists individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds who have the potential to succeed in higher education. The program provides academic, career, and financial counseling to its participants and encourages them to graduate from high school and continue on to the postsecondary school of their choice. Talent Search also serves high school dropouts by encouraging them to reenter the education system and complete their education. The goal of Talent Search is to increase the number of disadvantaged youth who complete high school and enroll in the postsecondary education institution of their choice.

- o Clinton Black, (202) 708-8272  
e-mail: clinton\_black@ed.gov

### Upward Bound

Upward Bound provides fundamental support to participants in their preparation for college entrance. The program provides opportunities for participants to succeed in pre-college performance and ultimately in higher education pursuits. Upward Bound serves high school students from low-income families; high school students from families in which neither parent holds a bachelor's degree; and low-income, first-generation military veterans who are preparing to enter postsecondary education. The goal of Upward Bound is to increase the rates at which participants enroll in and graduate from institutions of postsecondary education.

- o Peggy Whitehead, (202) 708-4804  
e-mail: TRIO@ed.gov

## Office of Vocational and Adult Education

### School-to-Work Opportunities Act

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The Departments of Education and Labor have entered into a partnership to establish a national framework within which all states can create comprehensive statewide School-to-Work Opportunities Systems. These systems will integrate school-based and work-based learning as well as establish effective linkages between secondary and post-secondary education in order to help our youth acquire the knowledge, skills, abilities, and labor market information they need to make a smooth transition from school to career-oriented work or to further education and training.

Grants are being used by states and localities as seed capital to plan and implement statewide School-to-Work systems. The federal role will be to: promote the formation of local partnerships consisting of employers, local educational agencies, and other key parties to help states and localities learn from each other and our international competitors; build a knowledge base of effective models, including strategies that meet the needs of the disadvantaged; and establish a national School-to-Work framework through core School-to-Work program components and national skill standards.

If you are an educator and would like more information on how you can join with employers, unions, parents, and others in the School-to-Work initiative, you may request *School-To-Work Opportunities: An Owner's Guide* by calling the School-to-Work Opportunities Team, (202) 401-6222

#### **School-to-Work Opportunities State Development Grants**

These grants are awarded to states to begin and enhance planning and developmental efforts to create comprehensive statewide School-to-Work Opportunities systems based on plans developed through state development grants. The School-to-Work Opportunities Initiative is the result of a broad-based and growing interest in creating School-to-Work systems in which young Americans choose and navigate paths to productive and progressively more rewarding roles in the workplace.

- o School-to-Work Opportunities Team, (202) 401-6222  
e-mail: <http://www.stw.ed.gov>

#### **School-to-Work Opportunities State Implementation Grants**

These grants are awarded to states to establish comprehensive, statewide School-to-Work Opportunities systems. These systems will offer young Americans access to education and training programs designed to prepare them for a first job in high-skill, high-wage careers, and to increase their opportunities for further education.

- o School-to-Work Opportunities Team, (202) 401-6222  
e-mail: <http://www.stw.ed.gov>



### **School-to-Work Opportunities Local Partnership Implementation Grants**

These grants are for local partnerships to begin implementation of School-to-Work Opportunities Initiatives that will eventually be part of a statewide School-to-Work Opportunities system. These initiatives will offer young Americans access to programs designed to prepare them for a first job in high-skill, high-wage careers, and to increase their opportunities for further education. The local partnerships applying for these grants must demonstrate that a sound planning and development base for a School-to-Work Opportunities Initiative has been built and that implementation is ready to begin.

- o School-to-Work Opportunities Team, (202) 401-6222  
e-mail: <http://www.stw.ed.gov>

### **School-to-Work Opportunities Urban and Rural Grant Opportunities**

Awarded competitively, these grants enable urban and rural areas with high rates of poverty to develop and implement School-to-Work initiatives.

- o School-to-Work Opportunities Team, (202) 401-6222  
e-mail: <http://www.stw.ed.gov>

## **Division of Adult Education and Literacy**

The Division administers several programs, to provide educational opportunities for adults, age 16 years and older, not currently enrolled in school, who lack a high school diploma or the basic skills to function effectively in the workplace and in their daily lives. The Adult Education Act authorizes two formula grant programs: (1) the State-Administered Basic Grants Program, and (2) the State Literacy Resource Centers Program. State-Administered Basic Grants are provided to state education agencies, which in turn distribute funds to local providers through a competitive process based upon state-established funding criteria. The State Literacy Resource Centers Program stimulate the coordination of literacy services, create a network of state or regional resource centers. The division also maintains a Clearinghouse on Adult Education and Literacy. State contacts for the State-Administered Basic Grants Programs and for the State Literacy Resource Centers Programs are listed in the Services and Resources section of this book.

- o Ronald S. Pugsley, (202) 205-8270  
e-mail: [Ronald\\_Pugsley@ed.gov](mailto:Ronald_Pugsley@ed.gov)

## **Division of Vocational-Technical Education**

The Division administers the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act that provides formula grants to state education agencies to help provide vocational-technical education programs and services to youth and adults. Among the programs supported by the Division is Tech-Prep education. Each state has a Tech-Prep Coordinator. State Tech-Prep contacts are listed in the Services and Resources section of this book.

- o Richard DiCola, (202) 205-8269  
e-mail: Richard\_DiCola@ed.gov

## **Division of National Programs**

The division administers OVAE's national discretionary research, development and demonstration programs in vocational-technical and adult education. Through grants, cooperative agreements and contracts, the division supports activities which promote program improvement, leadership, research, capacity building and dissemination. The division also supports the National Center for Research in Vocational Education, (NCRVE), and the National Network for Curriculum Coordination in Vocational and Technical Education (NNCCVTE). Specific information on the range of divisional program activities may be found within the *Resource Guide for Discretionary National Vocational-Technical and Adult and Literacy Education Programs*. Contacts for the NCRVE and NNCCVTE are listed in the Services and Resources section of this book.

- o Dennis Berry, (202) 205-9650  
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## **Office of Educational Research and Improvement**

The Office of Educational Research and Improvement (OERI) provides national leadership in the cultivation and expansion of fundamental knowledge and understanding of education. Moreover, OERI aggressively promotes the use and application of such knowledge to improve practice in the classroom. OERI also monitors the state of education and stimulates excellence and equity in education and the achievement of the National Education Goals by spurring reform in the school systems of the United States. These activities are best accomplished through OERI's active collaboration with researchers, teachers, school administrators, librarians, parents, students, employers and policymakers.

OERI directs, coordinates, and recommends policy for activities that are designed to:

- o Improve the quality of education available and to ensure access to equal educational opportunities for all individuals.
- o Conduct basic and applied research on the teaching and learning process; the economic, social, and policy contexts of education; and on other defined areas of high priority
- o Collect and analyze statistical data on the present condition of education and project educational trends.
- o Demonstrate, disseminate, and adapt new knowledge and practices to various education settings.
- o Support learning opportunities through libraries, the information superhighway, and other technologies.
- o Promote coordination between the Department's educational research and development programs and the related activities of other federal agencies.
- o Forge a national consensus with respect to a long-term agenda for educational research, development, dissemination, and other activities, through collaborative efforts with the National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board as well as with external constituencies.

*What follows is a summary of current OERI programs.*

### **OERI National Research Institutes**

The recent reauthorization of the Office of Educational Research and Improvement created five national research institutes in different topical areas. Each institute has been given a separate Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number. All grant programs administered by each institute are identified by the Institute's CFDA number followed by an alpha. The institutes, the CFDA number identified with the institute, and the individual institute's phone numbers are listed below:

The National Institute on Student Achievement, Curriculum and Assessment  
(CFDA: 84.305)  
555 New Jersey Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20208-5573  
(202) 219-2079, FAX: (202) 219-2135;

The National Institute on Education of At-Risk Students  
(CFDA: 84.306)  
555 New Jersey Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20208-5521  
(202) 219-2239, FAX: (202) 219-2030;

The National Institute on Early Childhood Development and Education  
(CFDA: 84.307)  
555 New Jersey Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20208-5520  
(202) 219-1935, FAX: (202) 219-4768;

The National Institute on Educational Governance, Finance, Policymaking and Management  
(CFDA: 84.308)  
555 New Jersey Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20208-5510  
(202) 219-2032, FAX: (202) 219-2159

The National Institute on Postsecondary Education, Libraries, and Lifelong Learning  
(CFDA: 84.309)  
555 New Jersey Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20208-5531  
(202) 219-2064, FAX: (202) 501-3005

### **Field-Initiated Studies**

OERI institutes administer the Field-Initiated Studies Program, which supports studies designed to meet the education research and development needs of the United States. Applicants are invited to select a topic from OERI's Research Priorities Plan. The following personnel are the contacts for each of the institutes for Field-Initiated Studies.

National Institute on Student Achievement, Curriculum and Assessment:

- o Clara Lawson-Holmes, (202) 219-2079  
e-mail: Clara\_Lawson@ed.gov

National Institute on the Education of At-Risk Students

- o Beth Fine, (202) 219-1323  
e-mail: Beth\_Fine@ed.gov

National Institute on Early Childhood Development and Education

- o Sue Gruskin, (202) 219-4768  
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National Institute on Educational Governance, Finance,  
Policymaking and Management

- o Amy Singer, (202) 219-2159  
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National Institute on Postsecondary Education, Libraries and Lifelong Learning

o Delores Monroe, (202) 219-2229

e-mail: Delores\_Monroe@ed.gov

### **National Educational Research and Development Centers**

To help improve and strengthen student learning in the United States, OERI's five research institutes support 10 university-based national education Research and Development Centers. The centers address specific topics such as early childhood education, student achievement in core academic subjects, and teacher preparation and training. In addition, most of the centers focus on the education of disadvantaged children. Many centers collaborate with other universities, and many work with elementary and secondary schools. Centers may be contacted directly (see below) for a catalog of their publications and services.

#### **Center for Research on the Education of Students Placed at Risk**

Johns Hopkins University, CSOS  
3505 North Charles Street  
Baltimore, MD 21218  
(410) 516-8800

#### **National Center to Enhance Early Development and Learning**

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
Frank Porter Graham Child Development Center  
CB#4100  
Chapel Hill, NC 27599-4100  
(919) 966-4250

#### **National Center for Postsecondary Improvement**

Stanford Institute for Higher Education Research  
508 Ceras Building  
Stanford University  
Stanford, CA 94305-4125  
(415) 723-7727

#### **Center for Research on Evaluation, Standards, and Student Testing (CRESST)**

University of California, Los Angeles  
Graduate School of Education  
405 Hilgard Avenue, 1339 Moore Hall  
Los Angeles, CA 90024-1522  
(310) 206-1530

#### **National Research and Development Center on Achievement in School Mathematics and Science**

Wisconsin Center for Education Research  
1025 West Johnson Street  
Madison, WI 53706  
(608) 263-3605

#### **National Research and Development Center on Increasing the Effectiveness of State and Local Education Reform Efforts**

Consortium for Policy Research in Education  
Graduate School of Education  
University of Pennsylvania  
3440 Market Street, Suite 560  
Philadelphia, PA 19104-3325  
(215) 573-0700, ext. 224

**National Research Center on Cultural Diversity and Second Language Learning**

Regents of the University of California  
University of California at Santa Cruz  
1156 High Street  
Santa Cruz, CA 95064  
(408) 459-4114

**National Reading Research Center**

University of Georgia  
318 Aderhold  
Athens, GA 30602-7125  
(706) 542-3678

**National Research Center on the Gifted and Talented**

University of Connecticut  
362 Fairfield Road U-7  
Storrs, CT 06269-2007  
(860) 486-4676

**National Research Center on Improving Student Learning and Achievement in English**

The Research Foundation of the State  
University of New York  
University of Albany, SUNY  
School of Education  
1400 Washington Avenue  
Albany, NY 12222  
(518) 442-5029

**National Center for Education Statistics**

The National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) is the primary federal entity for collecting and analyzing data related to education in the United States and other nations. It fulfills a congressional mandate to collect, collate, analyze, and report full and complete statistics on the condition of education in the United States; conduct and publish reports and specialized analyses of the meaning and significance of such statistics; assist state and local education agencies in improving their statistical systems; and review and report on education activities in foreign countries.

The Center's activities are designed to: address high priority education data needs; provide consistent, reliable, complete, and accurate indicators of education status and trends; and, report timely, useful, and high quality data to the Department, the Congress, and other education policy makers and data users. The Center includes the Office of the Commissioner and four divisions: Statistical Standards and Methodology, Data Development, Education Surveys, and Education Assessment.

**Office of the Commissioner**

The Office of the Commissioner of Education Statistics can provide information about NCES plans and programs, and can offer guidance in accessing its many data bases.

- o Maureen Tracy, (202) 219-1828  
e-mail: Maureen\_Tracy@ed.gov

### **Statistical Standards Services Group**

The Statistical Standards Services Group provides state-of-the-art technical and statistical support to the center and to federal and non-federal organizations and entities that engage in statistical work in support of the mission of NCES.

- o Sam Peng, (202) 219-1643  
e-mail: Samuel\_Peng@ed.gov

### **Data Development and Longitudinal Studies Group**

The Data Development and Longitudinal Studies Group has center-wide responsibility for focusing the content and design of NCES programs; improving analyses, distribution, and use of products; and increasing international activities.

- o Mary Frase, (202) 219-1807  
e-mail: Mary\_Frase@ed.gov

### **Education Assessment Group**

The Education Assessment Group conceives, designs, develops, implements, and reports on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) and conducts a variety of related education assessment studies. The division gathers, analyzes, and synthesizes qualitative and quantitative data on American education and related policy and background factors.

- o Gary Phillips, (202) 219-1763  
e-mail: Gary\_Phillips@ed.gov

### **Education Surveys and Cooperative Systems Group**

The Education Surveys Division oversees planning, design, operations, statistical analysis, reporting, and dissemination for elementary, secondary, vocational, postsecondary, and library surveys; ensures that statistical quality and confidentiality are maintained; maintains liaison with department officials, federal agencies, state and local education agencies, postsecondary institutions, statistical, education and library associations, and other individuals and groups concerned with national elementary, secondary, vocational, and postsecondary statistics.

- o Paul Planchon, (202) 219-1616  
e-mail: Paul\_Planchon@ed.gov

## **Office of Reform Assistance and Dissemination**

OERI's Office of Reform Assistance and Dissemination is Congressionally mandated to promote and support nationwide education reform efforts through dissemination and applications of the best available knowledge. This office administers a number of programs, including:

### **Blue Ribbon Schools Recognition Program**

This program identifies and gives national recognition to public and private schools that are unusually effective in meeting local, state, and national goals, in educating **all** of their students. Applications for this program are available from state education agencies.

- o June Robinson, (202) 219-2149  
e-mail: Blue\_Ribbon@ed.gov

### **Star Schools Program**

The Star Schools Program provides grants to eligible telecommunications partnerships to encourage improved instruction in mathematics, science, foreign languages, literacy skills, vocational education, and other subjects, and to serve underserved populations through the development, construction, and acquisition of telecommunications facilities, equipment, and instructional programming. Grants are made for (1) general star schools grants; (2) statewide grants; and (3) high school completion and adult literacy grants. Grants are also made for a special local network project, and leadership, dissemination, and evaluation activities.

- o Joseph Wilkes, (202) 219-2186  
e-mail: Joseph\_Wilkes@ed.gov

### **Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education Grant Program**

The Javits Program provides demonstration grants for personnel training and other activities to build a nationwide capability meet the special education needs of gifted and talented students in elementary and secondary schools; to encourage the development of rich and challenging curricula for all students; and to supplement and make more effective the expenditure of state and local funds on gifted and talented education. This is accomplished through grants to schools, school districts, states, and other agencies. Applications are available through state and local education agencies.

- o Janet Williams, (202) 219-1674  
e-mail: Janet\_Williams@ed.gov



**Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education Research Center**

The National Research Center on the Gifted and Talented conducts research on methods of identifying and teaching gifted and talented students, and undertakes program evaluation, surveys, and the collection, analysis, and development of information about gifted and talented programs. The program focuses on student who may not be identified through traditional assessment methods, including economically disadvantaged individuals, those with limited English proficiency and individuals with disabilities.

- o Beverly Coleman, (202) 219-2280  
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**Dwight D. Eisenhower Professional Development Federal Activities**

The Eisenhower Federal Activities Program supports projects of national significance that the secretary of education determines will contribute to the development and implementation of high-quality professional development activities in the core academic subjects.

- o Carolyn Warren, (202) 219-2206  
e-mail: Carolyn\_Warren@ed.gov

**Fund for the Improvement of Education**

The Fund for the Improvement of Education provides funds for conduct nationally significant programs to improve the quality of education, assist all students in meeting challenging state content standards, and contribute to the achievement of the National Education Goals. A wide variety of specific activities may be funded under this program.

- o Rebecca Kirchoff, (202) 219-2138  
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# Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Languages Affairs

Mailing Address: OBEMLA  
U.S. Department of Education  
330 C Street, SW, 5th Floor  
Washington, DC 20202-6510

## Academic Excellence Awards

This program provides discretionary grants to state education agencies, local education agencies, nonprofit organizations, and institutions of higher education to promote the adoption and implementation of exemplary bilingual education, English as a second language, and other special alternative instructional programs, and professional development programs.

- o Mary T. Mahony (202)205-5463  
e-mail: askncbe@ncbe.gwu.edu

## Bilingual Education Comprehensive School Grants

This program provides discretionary grants for schoolwide bilingual education or English as a second language programs and other special alternative instructional programs. Programs should reform, restructure, and upgrade all relevant programs and operations that serve all (or virtually all) limited-English proficient (LEP) students in a particular school. Grants may be used for family education, parent outreach, curriculum development, instructional materials, improved assessment procedures, education software, tutoring and counseling, training programs that improve services to LEP students, or compensation of personnel trained to serve LEP students.

- o Harry Logel, (202)205-5463  
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## Bilingual Education Program Enhancement Grants

This program provides grants to carry out, expand, or enhance an existing bilingual education or English as a second language program and other special alternative instructional programs for limited-English proficient (LEP) students. Grantees must conduct professional development programs that improve the instruction of LEP students. Grants may also be used for family education, compensation of personnel trained to serve LEP students, curriculum development, educational technology, or academic or career counseling.

- o Ana Garcia, (202)205-5463  
e-mail: askncbe@ncbe.gwu.edu

### **Bilingual Education Systemwide Improvement Grants**

The program provides grants to improve, reform, and upgrade programs and operations of an entire local education agency (LEA) in order to better serve limited-English proficient (LEP) students. Funds may be used for curriculum development, development of education standards for LEP students, improved assessment procedures, enhanced personnel policies, reform of student grade-promotion and graduation requirements, family education programs, instructional materials, educational technology, and academic or career counseling.

- o Harry Logel, (202)205-5463  
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### **Bilingual Education Teachers and Personnel Grant**

The program provides discretionary grants for professional development of bilingual education teachers and other education personnel for the purpose of improving education services to limited-English proficient (LEP) students.

- o Cindy Ryan, (202) 205-5463  
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### **Elementary School Foreign Language Incentive Program**

The Department awards grants to encourage local educational agencies to implement intensive foreign language programs.

- o Petrairie Johnson, (202)205-8737  
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### **Emergency Immigrant Education Program**

The Emergency Immigrant Program provides formula grants to state education agencies to assist local education agencies that experience large increases in their student population due to immigration. Grants are to be used to provide high-quality instruction to immigrant children and youth to help them make the transition into American society and meet the same challenging state performance standards expected of all children and youth. Under the law, the term “immigrant children and youth” means individuals age 3 through 21 who were not born in the United States and who have not been attending one or more schools in the United States for more than three full academic years.

- o Harpreet Sandhu, (202) 205-5463  
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### **Field-Initiated Research**

Makes funding available to carry out field-initiated research conducted by current or recent recipients of Title VII grants. This program provides grants for research on effective instructional methods for serving limited-English proficient (LEP) students and for other issues related to LEP students.

- o Tim D'Emilio, (202)205-5463  
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### **Graduate Fellowships Program**

Provides financial assistance through institutions of higher education to individuals who are pursuing master's, doctoral, or post-doctoral study related to instruction of limited-English proficient children and youth in areas such as teacher training, program administration, research and evaluation, and curriculum development and for the support of dissertation research related to this study. Fellowship recipients are required to work for a period equivalent to the period of time that assistance is received.

- o Cindy Ryan, (202) 205-5463  
e-mail: askncbe@ncbe.gwu.edu

### **Program Development Implementation Grants**

The program provides discretionary grants that support the development and implementation of new comprehensive, coherent, and successful bilingual or English as a second language programs and other special alternative instructional programs for limited-English proficient students.

- o Ana Garcia, (202) 205-8737  
e-mail: askncbe@ncbe.gwu.edu

### **State Grant Program**

The State Grant Program provides discretionary grants to states and outlying areas to collect and report data on the state's limited-English proficient (LEP) population and to provide technical assistance to local education agencies (LEAs) within the state. SEAs may use program funds to assist LEAs with program design, capacity building, student assessment, and program evaluation. SEAs may also use program funds to train SEA personnel in education issues affecting LEP children and youth.

- o Luis Catarineau, (202) 205-5463  
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## **Office of Intergovernmental and Interagency Affairs**

### **The Presidential Scholars Program**

The U.S. Presidential Scholars Program was established to recognize and honor the nation's most distinguished graduating high school seniors. Winners of the award have demonstrated leadership, scholarship, their contributions to school and community, and accomplishment in the arts, sciences, or other fields. Each year, the White House Commission on Presidential Scholars selects 141 scholars--one young man and one young woman from each state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and students from U.S. families living abroad; 15 students at large; and 20 scholars who demonstrate exceptional skill in the arts.

- o Kimberly Watkins-Foote, (202) 205-0512  
e-mail: Kimberly\_Watkins-Foote@ed.gov

For the Arts Program, write to:

- o National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts  
800 Brickell Avenue, Suite 500, Miami, FL 33131

### **The President's Education Awards Program**

The President's Education Awards Program consists of two kinds of awards -- The President's Award for Educational Excellence and the President's Award for Educational Improvement. The Educational Excellence Award recognizes and rewards educational excellence. The Educational Improvement Award recognizes all students, including students with special needs, who are making an outstanding effort to learn and improve in their academic subjects. The award is a certificate signed by the President, the Secretary of Education, and the school principal. To receive these awards, a student would have to be enrolled in a school which has chosen to participate in the program. This is a voluntary program and it is the principal's decision whether or not his/her school will participate in the program.

- o Linda Bugg, (202) 401-3644 or 1-800-438-7232  
e-mail: Linda\_Bugg@ed.gov



## **Services and Resources**

The services described in this section are administered by the U.S. Department of Education to advance research, information, and communication about education issues. Some are directly accessible to teachers; others are mainly directed at local and state education agencies, and can be accessed through district officials. The following program descriptions highlight services that might be useful to teachers.





## The Monthly Satellite Town Meeting

On the third Tuesday of each month during the school year, U.S. Secretary of Education Richard W. Riley hosts a live, interactive video teleconference for communities working to improve their schools and to share real-life, practical solutions to education issues and ways to fulfill the seven priorities. Interested individuals may view the meetings at community down link sites or by watching participating local public access TV. Individuals can participate in the discussion by calling (800) 368-5781.

- o Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the Satellite Town Meeting is hosted by Secretary Riley, usually at the Chamber's television facility. National experts, community leaders, and educators are the in-studio guests for an informal discussion where they offer insights and practical, "how-to" advice for communities.
- o Viewers call in with questions for the secretary and his guests, or with examples of effective programs in their own communities.
- o To take part in the Satellite Town Meeting, local educators, business and community leaders, parents, and others convene at school facilities, community colleges, chambers of commerce, businesses -- wherever there is a satellite dish. In many areas of the country, the Satellite Town Meeting is available live on local cable television access stations.
- o Major national cable outlets, including the Discovery Channel, America's Disability Channel and Mind Extension University, have carried the Satellite Town Meeting, as do a number of state educational television systems.
- o Recent Satellite Town Meetings have focused on strategies for preparing young children for school, eliminating youth violence, and developing school-to-career partnerships to prepare students for today's jobs. Secretary Riley's guests have included educators and community leaders from across the country, as well as President Clinton, Attorney General Janet Reno, and other Cabinet officials.
- o You can join the Town Meeting on-line, via a "list serve," using the Internet. This free "list serve," follows the topic of the Town Meeting each month and engages a variety of practitioners in lively discussion about innovative programs in their communities. The address to join is [listserv@suum.syr.edu](mailto:listserv@suum.syr.edu). In the message area, write subscribe satl-con (your name).

To learn more about the GOALS 2000 Satellite Town Meeting and the on-line discussion, call 1-800-USA-LEARN.



## The Partnership for Family Involvement in Education

The Partnership for Family Involvement in Education seeks to promote children's learning through the development of family-school-community partnerships. Under the motto of "Better Education Is Everybody's Business," thousands of family, school, community, employer and religious groups have come together to support student learning to high standards. These partners represent a growing grassroots movement across this country organized into four areas:

- **Family-School Partners for Learning** support home-school partnerships and pre-service and in-service training to help teachers work effectively with families. Family partners strengthen schools through at-home activities including encouraging reading, monitoring homework, making sure their children are prepared for and attend school; and through at-school activities including attending school conferences and asking for challenging coursework. School partners support families' expectations for their children's education, reach out to parents as partners, offer parents help, and are accessible when parents are available.
- **Employers for Learning Partners** adopt family- and student-friendly business practices, such as providing leave time to attend parent conferences and volunteer in school, and provide parent training and child care.
- **Community Organizations for Learning** support learning communities through organized before- and after-school and summer activities, help to make streets safe for children, and support supervised recreational activities.
- **Religious Organizations for Learning** provide reading partners, mentors, and other caring adults to support children's learning, provide parent education programs, sponsor cultural programs, make their buildings available for organized activities, and support out-of-school learning.

New members join the Partnership through a sign-on statement developed by each sector's founding members. The sign-on is included in the back of this book.



## **Toll-Free Information Phone Numbers**

### **1-800-USA-LEARN Telephone Bank**

The Information Resource Center (IRC) is the public service component of the GOALS 2000 project. The IRC provides referrals, answers questions on GOALS 2000 and other Department of Education initiatives, and can send you information and publications on an array of education issues. The IRC coordinates with the GOALS 2000 Community Services staff in assisting communities and identifying potential GOALS 2000 communities. The IRC provides information about Department publications and upcoming events, including the monthly Satellite Town Meeting.

### **Departmental Locator**

The Department's Personnel Locator, which serves as the telephone and office directory, can be reached at **1-800-572-5580**, or **(202) 708-5366** within the Washington, DC metro area.

### **OERI Information Office (National Library of Education)**

The Office of Educational Research and Improvement maintains a toll-free telephone line staffed by trained information specialists who field more than 40,000 requests a year for information and publications. Teachers can call this number for information about education statistics, education research information, and publications published by OERI. The number is **1-800-424-1616**, or **(202) 219-1513** within the Washington, DC metropolitan area.

### **ACCESS ERIC**

OERI's Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) is a national information network of Clearinghouses. ERIC has the world's largest education data base, which contains more than 775,000 citations to documents and journal articles. The data base and ERIC document collections are housed in about 3,000 locations worldwide. To find out more about the data base, learn about new materials, receive referrals to other agencies, or find out more about ERIC, call ACCESS ERIC, at **1-800-LET-ERIC**.

### **Financial Aid Information**

The Department of Education provides information about how to apply for student financial aid, as well as about the current status of any given student's financial aid package, through a toll-free number, **1-800-433-3243**.

### **Office for Civil Rights**

The Office for Civil Rights collects all of its civil rights policy documents in a *Policy Codification System* (PCS). To ensure the broadest possible dissemination of PCS documents, OCR has a toll-free Policy Information Line that the public may call to request a copy of any OCR policy document. The telephone number is **1-800-421-3481**. To report suspected civil rights violations, call Wayne Walker at **(202) 205-5413**.

**Office of the Inspector General**

The Office of the Inspector General provides a hotline for individuals to call to report instances of fraud, waste, or abuse involving Department of Education funds or programs. Anyone having such knowledge should call **1-800-MIS-USED**. All callers can be assured of absolute confidentiality.

**Schools Without Drugs**

Various drug abuse prevention materials, including *The Parent's Guide to Drug Prevention*, (Growing Up Drug Free), and *Schools Without Drugs* can be obtained by calling **1-800-624-0100**. In DC, the number is **(202)732-3627**.

## On-Line Resources

### U.S. Department of Education's Public World Wide Web/Gopher/FTP site

Teachers with access to the Internet can tap a rich collection of ED information at ED's public World Wide Web/Gopher/FTP site, including:

- o fact sheets and other information on GOALS 2000, ESEA (IASA), STW, and the family partnership;
- o collections of the academic standards;
- o announcements of new publications and data sets;
- o press releases, funding opportunities, and event calendars;
- o general information about the Department;
- o searchable ED staff directory, directories of effective programs, and directory of education-related information centers;
- o descriptions of ED programs;
- o research findings and syntheses;
- o full-text publications for teachers, parents, and researchers;
- o statistical tables, charts, and data sets; and
- o pointers to all public Internet resources at R&D Centers, Regional Laboratories, ERIC Clearinghouses, and other ED-funded institutions.

Internet users can access the information using a World Wide Web client such as NCSA Mosaic (URL=<http://www.ed.gov>), a Gopher client (gopher to [gopher.ed.gov](gopher://www.ed.gov) or select **North America-->USA-->General-->U.S. Department of Education**), or an FTP client (ftp to [ftp.ed.gov](ftp://www.ed.gov)).

### OERI Toll-Free Electronic Bulletin Board

Much of the information that is available on the Department's Internet site is also available to those who don't yet have Internet access but who can dial into a bulletin board. The OERI electronic bulletin board provides on-line access to statistical data, research findings, information about Department of Education programs, and, in some cases, full texts of departmental documents. Computer users can retrieve this information at any hour using a modem (at speeds up to 14400 baud) and calling **1-800-222-4922**. The local direct number is, **(202) 219-1511**.

### ED Board Electronic Bulletin Board

The Department's Grants and Contracts Service operates ED Board, which provides on-line access to information about the Department's programs, current funding opportunities, contracting forecasts, and information about doing business with the Department. Computer users can access ED Board at any hour using a modem (at speeds up to 2400 baud) and calling **(202) 260-9950** and via the Internet through FedWorld or the Department of Education's web server.

## **AskERIC**

The ERIC Clearinghouse on Information & Technology, one of the 16 clearinghouses in the ERIC national information system, sponsored by the Office of Educational Research and Improvement, runs an Internet-based question-answering service called "AskERIC." Teachers, administrators, parents, and community members with education questions may send them via e-mail to **askeric@ericir.syr.edu**. A response is provided within 48 hours. AskERIC has also developed computerized resource collections of frequently-asked questions, lesson plans, short summaries of recent research, and literature searches on popular topics.

## **AskERIC Virtual Library**

The AskERIC Virtual Library is an Internet site of selected resources for education and general interest. As a Sun SITE, AskERIC has the resources to use sound, video, and multimedia resources. Some of the contents include more than 700 lesson plans, access to the ERIC database and full-text ERIC Digests, AskERIC InfoGuides (topical guides to Internet and ERIC resources), archives of education-related listservs, and remote access to other Internet sites. Access the AskERIC Virtual Library at **<http://ericir.syr.edu>**.

## **National Parent Information Network**

The National Parent Information Network (NPIN) is the largest Internet resource for parents, providing high-quality information devoted to child development, child care, education and parenting. NPIN publishes an online newsletter for parents that contains timely information on issues of concern to parents, special reports on children by age group, and documents on relevant issues from a variety of sources. Access NPIN at **<http://www.npin.org/>**.

## **Eisenhower National Clearinghouse for Mathematics and Science Education**

This clearinghouse at Ohio State University provides access for K-12 educators to a growing collection of mathematics and science material and information, such as program or curriculum resources, federal funding, evaluations, and guides. An electronic catalog is available on CD-ROM and online at **URL=<http://www.enc.org>**. By 1996, the entire database will be searchable online and a user network will be in place. Contact Len Sumutis, (614) 292-1373.

## **Regional Educational Laboratory Network**

Almost every one of the ten Regional Educational Laboratories maintains a World Wide Web or gopher site containing regional information and collections of research-based information designed for use by educational practitioners. Internet users can access the Lab Network through any of the labs or through a central entry point maintained by the Northwest Lab at **<http://www.nwrel.org/national/>**.



### **National Institute for Literacy**

The National Institute for Literacy is developing an Internet-based information and communications network. Its three functions are to conduct moderated discussions on literacy issues, to provide a database of existing literacy-related information in searchable form from multiple locations, and to provide a ready reference section of relevant data. The prototype is available at URL=<http://novel.nifl.gov>.

### **National Clearinghouse for Bilingual Education**

The National Clearinghouse for Bilingual Education (NCBE) is funded by the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Languages Affairs (OBEMLA) to collect, analyze, synthesize, and disseminate information related to the education of linguistically and culturally diverse learners in the U.S. NCBE offers three on-line services for its clientele: the NCBE Web Site, at <http://www.ncbe.gwu.edu> where users can access a variety of materials produced by NCBE and link to a variety of other education resources on the Internet; the NCBE Gopher, [gopher.ncbe.gwu.edu](http://gopher.ncbe.gwu.edu) which includes information such as full-text documents and journal articles, frequently asked questions, and access to NCBE's bibliographic and directory databases; and AskNCBE, at [askncbe@ncbe.gwu.edu](mailto:askncbe@ncbe.gwu.edu) a convenient way for e-mail users to request information and order publications from NCBE or to ask for help with NCBE's online services.



## Teacher Resources on the Internet from the Federal Government

### Executive Office of the President

#### The White House

##### World Wide Web

[www.whitehouse.gov](http://www.whitehouse.gov)

This site offers information on the executive branch of government, the White House and the first family, tours and publications. Also, audio welcome messages from the President and Vice President. Provides access to White House press releases, including texts of briefings, executive orders, proclamations and remarks; also, speeches and major policy documents.

#### Executive Office of the President

##### World Wide Web

[www.whitehouse.gov/WH/EOP/html/couples.html](http://www.whitehouse.gov/WH/EOP/html/couples.html)

Links to the offices of President Clinton, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, Vice President Al Gore, Jr. and Mrs. Gore.

#### Office of National Drug Control Policy

##### World Wide Web

[www.whitehouse.gov/WH/EOP/html/other/ONDCP.html](http://www.whitehouse.gov/WH/EOP/html/other/ONDCP.html)

Explains the duties of the ONDCP and provides information on the director.

#### The President's Council on Physical Fitness

##### World Wide Web:

[www.whitehouse.gov/WH/PCPFS/html/fitnet.html](http://www.whitehouse.gov/WH/PCPFS/html/fitnet.html)

This site offers contact and descriptive information on the President's Council on Physical Fitness. Also, information on presidential fitness partners and participating organizations.

### President's Interagency Council on Women

#### World Wide Web:

[www.whitehouse.gov/WH/EOP/Women/IACW/](http://www.whitehouse.gov/WH/EOP/Women/IACW/)

This site offers information on the IACW, members, a report to the President and press releases. Also, a follow-up of the 1995 World Conference on Women in Beijing.

#### White House Correspondence

##### World Wide Web

[www.whitehouse.gov/WH/Mail/html/Speak\\_Out.html](http://www.whitehouse.gov/WH/Mail/html/Speak_Out.html)

This site offers a form to send e-mail to the President or Vice President.

#### White House Office for Women's Initiatives and Outreach

##### World Wide Web:

[www.whitehouse.gov/WH/EOP/women/OWIO/index.html](http://www.whitehouse.gov/WH/EOP/women/OWIO/index.html)

Information about the office, a newsletter and a listing of recent events.

### U.S. Department of Agriculture

#### Children and Youth Family Education Research Network

##### World Wide Web:

[www.cyfernet.org](http://www.cyfernet.org)

This site provides links to Programs and Resources Against Violence (PAVNET), youth-at-risk programs, national networks for child care, family resiliency, and science and technology literacy, as well as resources and statistics for child, youth, and family programs. A program of the USDA and 4-H.

## **Forest Service**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.fs.fed.us](http://www.fs.fed.us)

The forest service provides text files on reinvention, Forest Service Video Library, Grand Mesa National Forest Travel Plan Revision, news releases, the International Union of Forestry Research Organization's newsletter, Federal Register notice of range reform hearings, proposed rules, information on timber sales, Rocky Mountain ecosystems and the Western Forest Health Initiative Report.

## **National Agricultural Library**

**World Wide Web:** [www.nalusda.gov](http://www.nalusda.gov)

Information on National Agricultural Library events and resources, including links to publications, and information on the new Farm Bill. Includes a staff telephone list. Also, links to the NAL's 10 information centers: Agricultural Trade and Marketing; Alternative Farming Systems; Animal Welfare; Aquaculture; Biotechnology; Food and Nutrition; Plant Genome Data; Rural Information and Rural Health Service; Technology Transfer, and Water Quality.

## **Natural Resources Conservation Service**

### **World Wide Web:**

[www.ncg.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.ncg.nrcs.usda.gov)

Links to databases on natural resource assets, such as soil, water, air, plants and animals, including humans. Also, links to the National Cartography and Geographic Information System Center, National Plant Data Collection Center, National Resources Inventory, National Soil Survey Center and the Plants Information Share Fast Track. Information on NRCS programs, including conservation partnership and volunteer programs. Also, technical references, news releases and organizational information.

## **Department of Commerce**

### **Air and Space Commercialization Service**

#### **World Wide Web**

[www.doc.gov/oasc.html](http://www.doc.gov/oasc.html)

Divided into four sections: Commercial Remote Sensing; Space Transportation Policy; Launch Trade Agreements; and Emerging Markets. Office mission is to foster growth of the U.S. commercial space industry.

## **Census Bureau**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)

This site offers a full text of the Privacy Act and Title 13 of the U.S. code. Also, links to POPClock Projection, information on future population, CB bulletin board, data services, press releases and the CB art gallery. Includes mailing list subscriptions to obtain tip sheets; monthly product announcements and newsletters; demographic, economic and geographic programs; and the Decennial Census, including bureau definitions. Also, international information related to population data collection. The CB directory of information and services includes links to the following:

Center for Economic Studies  
[www.census.gov/ces/ces.html](http://www.census.gov/ces/ces.html)

Census Bureau (retrieve helpful software)  
[file://ftp.census.gov/pub](ftp://ftp.census.gov/pub)

Economic  
[www.census.gov/ftp/pub/econ/www](http://www.census.gov/ftp/pub/econ/www)

Financial Data (for state and local governments and schools)  
[www.census.gov:80/ftp/pub/govs/www/](http://www.census.gov:80/ftp/pub/govs/www/)

Income and Poverty  
[www.census.gov/ftp/pub/hhes/www/incpov.html](http://www.census.gov/ftp/pub/hhes/www/incpov.html)

State Census Information Center  
[www.census.gov/ftp/pub/sdc/www/](http://www.census.gov/ftp/pub/sdc/www/)

Statistical Abstract  
[www.census.gov/stat\\_abstract/](http://www.census.gov/stat_abstract/)

Statistical Briefs  
[www.census.gov/ftp/pub/apsd/www/statbrief](http://www.census.gov/ftp/pub/apsd/www/statbrief)

## **Consumer Affairs Office**

**World Wide Web:**  
[www.doc.gov/oca/](http://www.doc.gov/oca/)

The Department of Commerce offers information on how to obtain consumer bulletins and reports, tip sheets, and business education guides.

## **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**World Wide Web**  
[www.noaa.gov](http://www.noaa.gov)

Links to press releases and NOAA offices, including the National Environmental Satellite, Data and Information Service; the National Marine Fisheries Service; the National Ocean Service; the National Weather Service; Coastal Ocean Program; Office of Global Programs and HPCC; and the Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research. Also, satellite images of hurricanes and other items.

**National Weather Service**  
[www.nws.noaa.gov](http://www.nws.noaa.gov)

Site includes warnings and forecasts for severe weather as well as general forecasts for the entire nation.

## **Department of Defense**

**World Wide Web**  
[www.defenselink.mil/](http://www.defenselink.mil/)

DefenseLINK, the hub of DOD information, contains current press releases from the secretary of defense, joint chiefs of staff, and maintains a searchable database of previous releases. Also, department fact sheets, including worldwide U.S. troop strength; birth outcome studies; the Persian Gulf Veterans' Coordinating Board; and information on Bosnia operations, including official photos.

## **Ballistic Missile Defense Organization**

**World Wide Web**  
[www.acq.osd.mil/bmdo/bmdolink/html](http://www.acq.osd.mil/bmdo/bmdolink/html)

Information on BMDO programs: theater missile defense; national missile defense; and advanced technology development.

## **Bosnia Contact Information**

**World Wide Web:**  
[www.army.mil/post.htm](http://www.army.mil/post.htm)

The U.S. Army offers directions on how to send mail to any service member stationed in Bosnia, and to their families in Germany. Also, how to send mail to an unspecified service member or family.

## **Air Force**

**World Wide Web**  
[www.af.mil](http://www.af.mil)

Air Force general information; fact sheets; organizational structure and staff, and job opportunities; press releases, speeches, news briefings, news features and *Airman*; fact sheets on weapons, activities and commands; biographies of Air Force leaders; photo archive of weapons, operations and personnel; links to Internet servers maintained by Air Force bases, commands and laboratories. Also, historical information and Air Force band musical selections (audio).

## **Army**

**World Wide Web**  
[www.army.mil](http://www.army.mil)

Information on applied research, artificial intelligence, base closures, aviation, electronic data exchange, the environment, military science, mounted warfare, software development, special operations, tanks and technology transfer. Also, information on the Army chief of staff and other personnel; the Army mission; intelligence; and recruiting. Information on Army facilities worldwide and a section on military history.

## **Marine Corps**

**World Wide Web**  
[www.usmc.mil](http://www.usmc.mil)

Information about the Marine Corps and its history and traditions. Also, links to the Marine Corps anonymous ftp site and other USMC sites, and public event listings.

## **Navy**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.navy.mil](http://www.navy.mil)

Gateway to Navy online resources: Naval Command Control and Ocean Surveillance Center, Naval Computer and Telecommunications Center in Pensacola, FL. Navy News Service, Navy Postgraduate School, Naval Research Laboratory, Naval Surface Warfare Centers and Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command. Search *NavNews*, the Navy newsletter, and retrieve the latest issue, and links to other Navy publications. Also, information on facility closings.

## **Naval Observatory**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.usno.navy.mil](http://www.usno.navy.mil)

This site offers information on tours of the observatory; Sky Facts, a brief summary of astronomical events for the month; and lists of observatory products and order forms. Astronometry section contains data sets on stars and stellar positions and information on the Navy prototype optical interferometer.

## **U.S. Department of Education**

### **World Wide Web:**

[www.ed.gov](http://www.ed.gov)

### **Gopher:**

[gopher.ed.gov](http://gopher.ed.gov)

Links to information on national education goals; Education Department guides for teachers and researchers; national initiatives, including Goals 2000 and the School-to-Work initiative; publications; press releases; a staff directory; funding opportunities; the *Chronicle of Higher Education's Academe This Week*; and links to other education sites and programs.

## **Educational Resources Information Center ASK ERIC**

### **World Wide Web**

[ericir.syr.edu](http://ericir.syr.edu)

The ERIC system is a clearinghouse of education resources, including lesson plans for teachers, information on education issues and GOALS 2000, and information guides on education concepts in specific fields with expert commentary and bibliographies. Links to other ERIC clearinghouses.

## **National Center for Research on Evaluation, Standards and Student Testing**

### **World Wide Web**

[cresst96.ces.ucla.edu/index.htm](http://cresst96.ces.ucla.edu/index.htm)

### **Gopher**

[gopher.cse.ucla.edu](http://gopher.cse.ucla.edu)

This site offers links to information on kindergarten-through-12th-grade assessment research. Also, information on education testing, research and development, and evaluation.

## **National Center on Adult Literacy**

### **World Wide Web**

[litserver.literacy.upenn.edu](http://litserver.literacy.upenn.edu)

Links to the center's research agency, current projects, publications, the Department of Education, the Literacy Technology Laboratory and the International Literacy Institute.

## **National Network of Regional Educational Laboratories**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.nwrel.org/national/](http://www.nwrel.org/national/)

Links to a staff directory and information on the regional educational laboratories, and links to lab sites nationwide.

## **Postsecondary Education Office**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.ed.gov/offices/OPE](http://www.ed.gov/offices/OPE)

Links to the office of the assistant secretary for postsecondary education, and to relevant programs and organizations. Also includes current student loan information and downloadable application for federal student aid.

## **Project Easy Access for Students and Institutions**

### **World Wide Web**

[easi.ed.gov](http://easi.ed.gov)

Information on a collaboration among government, business and education leaders to re-engineer the postsecondary education financial system.

## **School-To-Work Initiative**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.stw.ed.gov/](http://www.stw.ed.gov/)

The School-to-Work initiative provides federal seed money to partner businesses, community organizations and government with students to prepare students for the job market. Site includes information on events, announcements and grant descriptions.

## **U.S. Department of Energy**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.doe.gov/](http://www.doe.gov/)

Links to the publication *DOENews*, information network, a DOE national telephone directory, program office descriptions and information services.

### **Argonne National Laboratory**

#### **World Wide Web**

[www.anl.gov](http://www.anl.gov)

An overview of the ANL and major facilities, information resources and the DOE Office of Information Technology Conference. Includes an "Ask a Scientist" section and information on virtual reality.

### **Alternative Fuels Data Center**

#### **World Wide Web**

[afdc.nrel.gov:70/](http://afdc.nrel.gov:70/)

Information on alternative fuels utilization, biofuels, refueling sites, the Alternative Fuels Hotline and other alternative fuels topics.

### **Brookhaven National Laboratory**

#### **World Wide Web**

[www.bnl.gov/bnl.html](http://www.bnl.gov/bnl.html)

BNL scientific and technical information. Also, departments, including the Alternating Gradient Synchrotron, Computing and Communications, Advanced Technology, National Nuclear Data Center, and Safety and Environmental Protection.

### **Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility**

#### **World Wide Web**

[www.ceba.gov](http://www.ceba.gov)

Links to news and events; weekly project progress updates; contact information and BEBAF e-mail addresses; maps; and conferences and workshops. The physics division includes a link to the text of the Data

Acquisition System, and the Accelerator Division provides pointers to Accelerator Operation, Accelerator Physics, and the Free-Electron Laser. Also, a link to currently approved experiments.

### **Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory**

#### **World Wide Web**

[www.fnal.gov](http://www.fnal.gov)

Links to the Drell Panel full report, the Science of High-Energy Physics and the Insider's Guide to Lab activities. Also, general information and schedules.

### **Lawrence Berkley Laboratory**

#### **World Wide Web**

[www.lbl.gov/](http://www.lbl.gov/)

An overview of the LBL, research news and highlights, scientific programs, technology transfer opportunities, computing services, library services, publications, education programs and job vacancies.

### **Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory**

#### **World Wide Web**

[www.llnl.gov](http://www.llnl.gov)

LLNL news, general information, core competency requirements, programs, projects, centers and consortia and disciplines. Also, information on partnerships with the University of California, other laboratories and the private sector.

## **Los Alamos National Laboratory**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.lanl.gov](http://www.lanl.gov)

Links to *LabSource*, newsletter on the University of California's management of three Energy Department laboratories, a phone book and lists of job openings. Also, information by division and subject, and a software archive.

### **Mathematical, Information and Computational Sciences**

#### **World Wide Web**

[www.ed.doe.gov/production/octr/mics/index.html](http://www.ed.doe.gov/production/octr/mics/index.html)

Links to the Scalable Computing Laboratory, High Performance Computing Research Facility, Supercomputing Computations Research Institute, parallel processing, and advanced software technology and algorithms.

## **Oak Ridge National Laboratory**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.ornl.gov](http://www.ornl.gov)

Information on research news, including partnerships with industry, schools and universities, and other DOE laboratories. Also, contact information for ORNL staff; an ORNL technical calendar; and employment information and research programs listed by directorates, divisions, centers and offices, programs, technologies and facilities. Major projects also are listed.

## **Pacific Northwest Laboratory**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.pnl.gov/](http://www.pnl.gov/)

Describes the PNL and provides pointers to seminars, press releases, laboratories, electronic information and an overview of the PNL.

## **Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.pppl.gov](http://www.pppl.gov)

An overview of the PPPL, including a description of research projects and resources.

## **Sandia National Laboratory**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.sandia.gov](http://www.sandia.gov)

A description of the SNL, selected SNL projects, initiatives and facilities, and SNL technologies database and a phone book of SNL staff.

## **Department of Health and Human Services**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.os.dhhs.gov](http://www.os.dhhs.gov)

#### **Gopher**

[gopher.os.dhhs.gov](http://gopher.os.dhhs.gov)

Health-related material, including information on AIDS, cancer, and contracts and grants. Also, Social Security and morbidity and mortality statistics. Link to the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance, which provides information on grant programs for security benefits, preventing and controlling disease, alcohol and drug abuse, conducting and supporting medical and biomedical research and promoting child development. Policy information, including program evaluation abstracts and pending legislation, and consumer information.

### **Administration on Children and Families**

#### **World Wide Web**

[www.acf.dhhs.gov](http://www.acf.dhhs.gov)

Information promoting economic and social well-being of children and families. Welfare reform demonstration program information, news releases, recent policy information, staff e-mail addresses and contact information, and program announcements.



## **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

Full text of *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report*. Links to the Epi Info public-domain software program of the World Health Organization, a system for data on management and public health statistics for IBM-compatible microcomputers. Also, information on managed care organizations, vaccines necessary for travel, cruise ship sanitization, diabetes, youth tobacco addiction and healthy body weight.

### **Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Office**

#### **World Wide Web**

[odphp.oash.dhhs.gov](http://odphp.oash.dhhs.gov)

Federal consumer health publications and links to information sources.

## **National Cancer Institute/CancerNet**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.nci.nih.gov](http://www.nci.nih.gov)

#### **CancerNet:**

[cancernet.nci.nih.gov/](http://cancernet.nci.nih.gov/)

Information on the National Cancer Institute. CancerNet provides information on cancer and cancer treatment, such as National Cancer Institute statements on specific cancers and their treatment, discussions of screening for various cancers, articles about cancer prevention and information about specific drugs. CancerLit, a database of citations from and abstracts of scholarly articles about cancer and cancer treatment, accessed by topic or keyword.

## **U.S. Department of the Interior**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.doi.gov](http://www.doi.gov)

General information, organizational chart, budget information, job announcements and links to DOI bureaus. Includes information on national parks, the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and congressional testimony.

### **Bureau of Indian Affairs**

#### **World Wide Web**

[www.doi.gov/doi/bureau-indian-affairs.html](http://www.doi.gov/doi/bureau-indian-affairs.html)

Descriptive information about the BIA and its director; available education programs, listings of regional offices and current press releases. Link to the Division of Energy and Mineral Resources.

### **Fish and Wildlife Refuge Service**

#### **World Wide Web**

[www.fws.gov](http://www.fws.gov)

Information on the service and its mission, and activities, job announcements and press releases. Contains the text of the Endangered Species Act and a list of endangered species, information about duck stamps and short descriptions on selected fish species. Lists information on environmental contaminants, wildlife laws, wetlands and federal aid to states for wildlife and sport fish restoration.

### **National Park Service**

#### **World Wide Web**

[www.nps.gov](http://www.nps.gov)

Background information, contact list, publications, information on individual national parks, NPS data and information on the American Civil War Battlefield Protection Plan, National Archeological Database, Prairie Grove Battlefield and NPS Geospatial Clearinghouse.

## U.S. Department of Justice

### Community Relations Service

#### World Wide Web

[www.usdoj.gov/offices/crs.html](http://www.usdoj.gov/offices/crs.html)

General information and contact information for CRS offices nationwide are included in this site.

### Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Office

#### World Wide Web

[www.ncjrs.org/ojjhome.htm](http://www.ncjrs.org/ojjhome.htm)

This site provides information on congressional activities and office mission and goals. Also, links to other sites, including the Juvenile Justice Clearinghouse and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

### National Institute of Justice

#### World Wide Web

[www.ncjrs.org/nijhome.htm](http://www.ncjrs.org/nijhome.htm)

This site contains searchable NIJ directories and files on antistalking models, assessing the impact of Dade County, FL's felony drug court, the children-At-Risk Program, developing drug testing by hair analysis, the Drug Use Forecasting Program, jail boot camps, gangs, and community policing.

## U.S. Department of Labor

#### World Wide Web

[www.dol.gov](http://www.dol.gov)

Information about the Labor Department and the secretary of labor. Links to media releases, regulatory information, labor-related data, and grant and contract information. The Labor Related Data section contains official databases of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Mine Safety and Health Administration data on mining accidents and injury statistics and Occupational Safety and Health Administration data on occupational injury and illness incidence rates.

## Bureau of Labor Statistics

#### World Wide Web

[stats.bls.gov/blshome.html](http://stats.bls.gov/blshome.html)

Information on BLS data, surveys and programs, and research papers and other publications. Also, recent economic statistics and regional BLS information.

## U.S. Department of State

#### World Wide Web

[www.state.gov](http://www.state.gov)

Links to the State Department Foreign Affairs Network, speeches, travel advisories, and human rights and country reports. Also, links to the Agency for International Development and the American Foreign Service Association servers. Includes information on the North American Free Trade Agreement.

### Foreign Affairs Network

#### World Wide Web

[dosfan.lib.uic.edu](http://dosfan.lib.uic.edu)

#### Gopher

[dosfan.lib.uic.edu](http://dosfan.lib.uic.edu)

Links to State Department publications and major reports, treaties and other legal documents. Also includes consular and travel information, general foreign policy, contact information, and historical and declassified documents. Consular and Travel Information section has foreign travel per diem rates. The historic and declassified document section provides the official documentary historical record of major foreign policy decisions and significant diplomatic activity of the U.S. government.

## INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

### Consumer Product Safety Commission

#### Gopher

[cpsc.gov](http://cpsc.gov)

This site provides instructions for reporting an unsafe consumer product. Files of press releases; public calendars; *Federal Register* notices; information for manufacturers, retailers and distributors; and instructions for receiving information from CPSC via e-mail.

## **National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)**

### **World Wide Web:**

[www.nasa.gov](http://www.nasa.gov)

The NASA homepage offers links to NASA news, subjects of public interest, NASA strategic plan and other NASA strategies, policies and public affairs information, NASA online educational resources and NASA information sources by subject.

## **NASA Earth Observing System**

### **World Wide Web**

[eos.nasa.gov](http://eos.nasa.gov)

Discover, retrieve and display documents and data about the Earth Observing System. Information on EOS issues and access to the Payload Panel Report. Additional resources to be added to include Algorithm Theoretical Basis Documents, the *EOS Reference Hand-book*, the EOS directory, images from various satellites and airborne instruments, and cross-references to other EOS-related information servers on the Internet.

## **NASA Goddard Space Flight Center**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.gsfc.nasa.gov/GSFC\\_homepage.html](http://www.gsfc.nasa.gov/GSFC_homepage.html)

Central guide for many NASA projects and services. The NASA Information by Subject section connects to servers by subject category. The map links to the homepages of NASA centers and servers of other national and international space agencies. Also includes a personnel locator, which finds addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses for NASA staff; and a public affairs section that provides access to satellite images, information about space shuttle missions and astronauts. Gopher servers, including the Network Applications Information Center, scientific and technical information, Computer Software Management Information Center, and information on small shuttle payloads.

## **NASA K-12 National Research and Education Network**

### **World Wide Web**

[quest.arc.nasa.gov](http://quest.arc.nasa.gov)

This site contains materials aimed at elementary, middle and high school and community college teachers. Information includes science lesson plans and curricular guides; guides to Internet science sources; and database, image and text files to support special NASA education projects.

## **NASA Kennedy Space Flight Center**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.ksc.nasa.gov/ksc.html](http://www.ksc.nasa.gov/ksc.html)

This site provides NASA Gopher, Web and telnet sites organized by center and project. The historical archive section provides information about past space missions, listed by project name and mission number, shuttle missions; planetary probes and upcoming missions. Access to images transmitted from space, lists of mission objectives and accomplishments, and biological data about crew members. The FAQ section includes shuttle mission schedules, an article about becoming an astronaut and instructions for obtaining a launch pass.

## **NASA Liftoff to Space Exploration**

### **World Wide Web**

[liftoff.msfc.nasa.gov](http://liftoff.msfc.nasa.gov)

Information on Astro-2 experiments and discoveries. Read the Astro-2 log and find out about the shuttle flight crew. View stars, galaxies, planets and quasars in ultra-violet light.

## **NASA Shuttle Mission**

### **World Wide Web**

[shuttle.nasa.gov](http://shuttle.nasa.gov)

Links to experiments in the second flight of the sixth space shuttle mission, Columbia. Information on the Microgravity Laboratory, which will be used to investigate the near-weightless environment on Columbia and how it affects fluids, combustion, material structures and protein crystals, and to demonstrate technology needed to further microgravity research on the shuttle and the International Space Station. Also, information on the countdown, launch, orbit, landing, crew, photos and press releases.

## **NASA Space Calendar**

### **World Wide Web**

[newproducts.jpl.nasa.gov/calendar](http://newproducts.jpl.nasa.gov/calendar)

Lists date of scheduled launches, anniversaries of important space missions, birthdays of important astronomers, and astronomical highlights, such as eclipses and asteroid flybys. Also links to information on many launches, past space missions and biographies of astronomers.

## **Smithsonian Institution**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.si.edu](http://www.si.edu)

Links to the Center for Earth and Planetary Studies, the Freer Gallery of Art, the Arthur M. Sackler Gallery, the National Air and Space Museum, the National Museum of the American Indian, the Natural History Web and the Smithsonian photo server.

## **Smithsonian Center for Earth and Planetary Studies and National Air and Space Museum**

### **World Wide Web**

[ceps.nasm.edu:2020/homepage.html](http://ceps.nasm.edu:2020/homepage.html)

Links to servers with images of Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 collision with Jupiter and the Space Shuttle Repository and Regional Planetary Image Facility.

## **Smithsonian Natural History Museum**

### **World Wide Web**

[www.nmnh.si.edu](http://www.nmnh.si.edu)

### **Gopher**

[nmnhgoph.si.edu/11](http://nmnhgoph.si.edu/11)

This site offers directories and files on botany, vertebrate and invertebrate zoology, paleontology and other biological gophers. Field study program announcements.

## National Library of Education

The National Library of Education is the largest federally funded library in the world devoted solely to education. The collection includes more than 200,000 books and about 750 periodical subscriptions, as well as studies, reports, Education Resources Information Center (ERIC) microfiche, and CD-ROM databases.

### Collections

The National Library of Education maintains a number of collections, including a **circulating collection** of books on education, management, and related social sciences published since 1965. The collection includes a **reference collection** of current dictionaries, encyclopedias, handbooks, directories, abstracts, indexes, and legal and other research sources available in both print and CD-ROM. The Library maintains **current and historical collections of education-related journals and newsletters** and an historical collection of state education journals. The **microform collection** includes more than 450,000 items, including major newspapers, the *Federal Register*, the *Congressional Record*, and the complete microfiche collection of the ERIC system that includes thousands of reports on education topics. In addition, the library maintains a number of special collections. These collections include rare books, historical books, textbooks, U.S. Department of Education publications, archival materials, and children's books.

### Services

The National Library of Education provides the following services: CD-ROM catalog including author, title, and subject access to the library's collections; reference and research assistance including a 1-800 user service; interlibrary loan; group and individual orientation seminars to the library's services and collections; referrals to appropriate organizations, agencies, libraries, associations, and individuals as additional sources of information; self-service photocopier and microform reader printers; and individual study rooms. The Library brings together INET (ED/OERI's Internet site and services); the Data Product Sales Program; and the Technology Resources Center. It also works in partnership with the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC), a program with ready access to education information nationwide.

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Internet: Library@inet.ed.gov	



## **Secretary's Regional Representatives and Regional Offices**

The Department of Education maintains 10 regional offices throughout the country. These offices represent the Department's programs and interests on a regional basis. The Secretary's Regional Representative (SRR) and staff conduct departmental business on myriad issues in their assigned states. At least five Principal Offices have representatives in each regional office. They include: The Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE), the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS), the Office for Civil Rights (OCR), the Office of the Inspector General (OIG), and the Office of Management (OM).

Office of Postsecondary Education staff handle questions related to student financial assistance programs. Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services staff assist constituents with rehabilitative services. Office for Civil Rights staff respond to questions about and review complaints related to civil rights issues. Office of the Inspector General staff investigate potential violations of law and conduct audits on Department-funded programs. The Office of Management has personnel offices or representatives in each of the regional offices.





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## **Field Services and Resources**

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## The Regional Educational Laboratory Program

The Regional Educational Laboratory Program (the “Lab Program”) is the U.S. Department of Education’s largest research and development investment designed to help educators, policy makers, and communities improve schools and help all students attain their full potential. Administered by the Office of Educational Research and Improvement (OERI), the network of 10 Regional Labs works to ensure that local, state and regional educational improvement efforts are informed by the best available research and knowledge from practice, and that exemplary and promising programs—and other important lessons about school reform—developed or learned in one site can be appropriately applied elsewhere.

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The Office of Educational Research and Improvement fund the Eisenhower Regional Mathematics and Science Education Consortia, which assist educators and policy makers in the improvement of mathematics and science education. Each regional component of the consortia works in conjunction with the Eisenhower National Clearinghouse to provide technical assistance and dissemination of information to aid individual teachers and states in implementing mathematics and science programs in accordance with state standards.

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## **Comprehensive Regional Assistance Centers**

The Office of Elementary and Secondary Education funds the Comprehensive Assistance Centers to support schools as they engage in comprehensive school change efforts to continuously improve teaching, learning, and student achievement; and to help schools improve the academic performance of all students, especially those who have traditionally been underserved by the education system. Each Comprehensive Assistance Center provides high quality technical assistance and services to states, districts, and schools to facilitate the success of educational reform and school improvement initiatives.

Each assistance center serves as the single point of contact for requests for Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) services and programs; links educators to an established network of national, regional, and local service providers through a coordinated effort allowing convenient "one-stop shopping". Each center works to empower school personnel and to improve teaching and learning for all children; based on effective practices and the latest research. Priorities are to assist school wide programs, to help local education agencies that have the highest percentages of children in poverty, and to help all children achieve high standards.

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### **Catalog of Captioned Educational Materials for Hearing Impaired Individuals**

The Catalog of Captioned Educational Materials for Hearing-Impaired Individuals provides captioned education films and videos through a nationwide system of 54 local and regional depositories free of charge to any school or program that is registered for the service and has at least one student with a hearing impairment.

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### **Project CHOICES: Changing How We Organize: Inclusion Through Collaboration and Educational Support**

Project CHOICES provides in-service training to educators preparing to serve, or currently serving, children and youth with severe disabilities in general education classrooms and in community settings. The training methods include: (a) collaborative teaming; (b) inclusion planning teaming; and, (c) systemic training (improving old skills or incorporating new skills). Following training, this project continues to offer support by providing technical assistance to education professionals implementing the inclusion models in their schools.

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### **Integrating Related Services Into Instructional Objectives**

This project provides education professionals an opportunity to see a demonstration of a model of in-service training to encourage development of education programs reflecting integration of related services into instructional objectives.

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### **Consortium Research Institute on Social Relationships**

This consortium institute conducts participatory research involving service providers working with children and youth with disabilities. The goal of the research is to develop natural and environmental strategies for inclusive schools. Developing social portraits is one of the primary activities of the institute at this time. Information about social portraits can be obtained through the institute.

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### **Training of Educators of Students with Mild Disabilities That Include Auditory and Visual Impairments: AFB Deaf-Blind Project**

This project identifies, collects, evaluates, develops, and disseminates self-study and in-service training curricula and materials for educators of children and youth with multiple disabilities. The project develops materials that focus on communication, orientation, and mobility.

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### **National Center to Improve Practice in Special Education Through Technology, Media, and Materials (NCIP)**

This national center is a collaborative project of Education Development Center (EDC) and WGBH Educational Foundation in Boston. The Center's mission is to promote more effective use of technology (including assistive technology), media, and materials in providing education and related services to students who have disabilities. The Center is fulfilling this mission by providing "change agents" in school districts with resources such as written materials, multimedia packages, a computer network, and video teleconferences.

The Center would like to hear from teachers who are using technology, media, and materials to serve students with disabilities.

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## **National Network for Curriculum Coordination in Vocational and Technical Education (NNCCVTE)**

The Office of Vocational and Adult Education (OVAE) funds the NNCCVTE, which is made up of six regional curriculum coordination centers (CCCs) and a network of state liaison representatives (SLRs). The SLRs provide educators with curriculum materials from the CCCs, and assist them in developing curriculum and instructional materials. The CCCs serve the states and territories in their regions.

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## **National Center for Research in Vocational Education (NCRVE)**

NCRVE is funded by the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Vocational and Adult Education (OVAE) to provide teachers, administrators, and policy makers with student-centered research on a variety of crucial topics, including the integration of academic and vocational education, tech-prep programs, the needs of special populations, performance measures and standards, work experience, and school-to-work programs. The NCRVE also carries out implementation research that provides guidance on how to translate the results of research into practice, focusing on investigating exemplary programs that can be used to illustrate "best practices."

The NCRVE maintains a consortial relationship with six major teaching institutions (with programs that prepare teachers and administrators in education as well as researchers and policy makers) and with one major research organization. These include the University of California at Berkeley, the lead institution; the University of Illinois; the University of Minnesota; Teachers College, Columbia University; Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech); the University of Wisconsin; and RAND (with sites in Santa Monica, California, and Washington, D.C.). For further information about the center and its activities, contact:

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## National Occupational Information Coordinating Committee (NOICC)

NOICC is a federal interagency committee that promotes the development and use of occupational and labor market information. NOICC's primary mission is to improve coordination and communication among developers and users of occupational information, and to help states meet the occupational information needs of vocational education and employment and training program managers, as well as individuals making career decisions. NOICC works with a network of State Occupational Information Coordinating Committees (SOICCs), the members of which represent state producers and users of occupational information. Many also include representatives from higher education.

The basic NOICC/SOICC systems include:

- o **Occupational Information Systems (OIS)** -- state computerized data bases that contain mechanisms for combining multiple-source occupation and education data so that it can be understood and analyzed by a variety of audiences.
- o **Career Information Delivery Systems (CIDS)** -- Computer-based systems that provide information about occupations and training opportunities. The systems help individuals match personal characteristics with compatible occupations. CIDS are located at almost 19,000 sites nationwide.

NOICC sponsors the following programs that focus on career guidance and counseling:

- o **The National Career Development Guidelines** are a competency-based approach to career development that helps schools plan quality career guidance and counseling programs.
- o **NOICC's Improved Career Decision Making (ICDM)** Training program is aimed at helping counselors increase their knowledge and use of labor market information in career counseling.
- o **The Career Development Portfolio** is a sequential career planning guide for use with students in grades 5-12 to link work-based skills to academic preparation. It was developed by NOICC in collaboration with the American School Counselor Association (ASCA) and the Maine OICC. It is being piloted in five states.

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## **Clearinghouses**

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## ERIC Clearinghouses

The Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC), funded by OERI, is a nationwide information network that acquires, catalogs, summarizes, and provides access to education information from all sources. The data base and ERIC document collections are housed in about 3,000 locations worldwide, including most major public and university library systems. ERIC produces a variety of publications and provides extensive user assistance, including **AskERIC**, an electronic question answering service for teachers on the Internet ([askeric@erica.syr.edu](mailto:askeric@erica.syr.edu)). The ERIC system includes 16 subject-specific clearinghouses listed below, the ERIC Processing and Reference facility, and ACCESS ERIC—which provides introductory services. For more information call ACCESS ERIC at 800-LET-ERIC (1-800-538-3742).

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## **The National Clearinghouse on Professions in Special Education**

The National Clearinghouse on Professions in Special Education, funded by Office of Special Education Rehabilitation Services (OSERS), is designed to encourage students to seek careers in the various fields related to the education of children and youth with disabilities, and to help professional personnel to seek employment in these areas.

The Clearinghouse collects and disseminates information on current and future needs for special education and related services personnel, disseminates information on career opportunities in special education, networks among local and state agencies concerning positions and personnel, and provides information and technical assistance on standards for personnel preparation.

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Students with disabilities, their parents, advisers, and advocates, are targets for the dissemination of information by HEATH.

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### **Eisenhower National Clearinghouse for Mathematics and Science Education**

OERI's National Clearinghouse for Mathematics and Science (ENC) collects, catalogs, and disseminates K-12 curriculum materials and resources in mathematics and science. ENC's catalog is available online through a toll-free number (800) 362-4448 as well as through the Internet ([enc.org](http://enc.org) via Telnet or <http://www.enc.org> via WWW). ENC provides teachers with a variety of additional services, including a technical help desk and reference service, print publications, and 12 demonstration sites located throughout the nation. ENC collaborates with existing regional and national networks and coordinates its demonstration site activities with the Eisenhower Regional Consortia for Mathematics and Science Education.

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Columbus, OH 43210-1079  
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url: <http://www.emc.org>

### **National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI)**

A centralized source for information about alcohol and other drugs, including publications, fact sheets, posters, and videotapes. NCADI is co-sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education, the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, and the Department of Health and Human Services.

National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI)  
P.O. Box 2345  
Rockville, MD 20847-2345  
(800) SAY-NO-TO (729-6686)

### **Federal Drug, Alcohol and Crime Clearinghouse Network**

Serves as a single point of entry for all federal alcohol and drug clearinghouses. Sponsored by the Office of National Drug Control Policy in cooperation with the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Justice, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the Department of Education.

Federal Drug, Alcohol, and Crime Clearinghouse Network  
(800) 788-2800

## **National Clearinghouse for Bilingual Education (NCBE)**

NCBE is funded by the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Language Affairs (OBEMLA), to provide practitioners with information on the education of limited English proficient students. NCBE compiles information on materials, programs, research, and other resources that can help educators meet the challenge posed by the complex and changing education needs of language minority students in U.S. schools.

NCBE provides information through its online services which include a World Wide Web site, a gopher, and a list server. These services provide access to information about materials, support services, funding opportunities, and other resources relating to the education of limited English proficient students. NCBE maintains three searchable databases: the NCBE Bibliographic Database, the NCBE Resources Database, and the NCBE Publishers Database.

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## **Publications**

The U.S. Department of Education publishes a number of books and pamphlets in order to disseminate information and research about education issues. The publications that follow are available free from various Department offices and clearinghouses, or at a charge from the Government Printing Office (GPO) or the Consumer Information Center (CIC). This guide lists and describes briefly those publications that could be useful to teachers. **Information on ordering follows at the end of the section.**

### **Classroom Instruction/Disciplines**

#### **Math/Science**

*Improving Math and Science Teaching*, GPO, #065-000-00553-1, \$1.75

*Transforming Ideas for Teaching and Learning Mathematics*  
free from OERI (max. 2 copies) OR 93-3044  
Bulk, GPO, #065-000-00574-3, \$25 for 25 copies

*What Schools Can Do To Improve Math & Science Achievement By  
Minority & Female Students*  
Free from the Office of Civil Rights

*Riding the Wind: Rural Leadership in Science and Mathematics Education*  
GPO, #065-000-00709-6, \$6

#### **Reading**

*Reading In and Out of School: Factors Influencing the Literacy Achievement of American Students in Grades 4, 8, and 12 in 1988 and 1990*  
GPO, # 065-000-00501-8, \$3.75

#### **Bilingual Education**

*How To Integrate Language and Content Instruction: A Training Manual*,  
Center for Applied Linguistics, attn. Cynthia Daniels, 118 22nd Street NW,  
Washington, DC 20037, (202) 429-9292; \$10.00

#### **Vocational and Adult Education**

*A Guide to Special Demonstration and Teacher Training Projects*  
free from Adult Learning and Literacy Clearinghouse, OVAE

*Bibliography of Resource Materials*  
free from Adult Learning and Literacy Clearinghouse, OVAE

*NCRVE Products* (catalog) free from NCRVE

*Reaching the Goals: Goal 5: Adult Literacy and Lifelong Learning*  
GPO, #065-000-00582-4; \$2.75

## **Students and Communities**

### **On Students**

*A Profile of the American Eighth Grader*  
GPO, #065-000-00404-6, \$9

### **Parental Involvement**

*Policy Perspectives: Parental Involvement in Education*  
GPO, # 065-000-00459-3, \$1.50

*Together We Can: A Guide for Crafting a Profamily System of Education and Human Services*  
GPO, call (202) 783-3238 for number & price

### **Violence/Drugs**

*Catalog of Selected Federal Publications on Illegal Drug and Alcohol Abuse*  
Free from the Federal Drug, Alcohol, and Crime Clearinghouse Network; call 1 (800) 788-2800

*Office for Substance Abuse Prevention (OSAP)'s National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI) Publications Catalog*  
Free from NCADI

*Learning to Live Drug-Free: A Curriculum Model for Prevention*  
This curriculum model provides a framework for classroom-based prevention efforts in kindergarten through grade 12. The model includes lessons, activities, background for teachers, and suggestions for involving parents and the community in drug prevention. Free from NCADI

*Reaching the Goals: Goal 6: Safe, Disciplined, and Drug-Free Schools*  
GPO, #065-000-00555-7, \$2.25



*Success Stories from Drug-Free Schools: A Guide for Educators, Parents, & Policymakers*

This guide is designed to share the experiences and advice from programs at 107 schools recognized in the Drug-Free School Recognition Program in the 1989-90 and 1990-91 academic years.

Free from NCADI

*National Commission on Drug-Free Schools: Final Report, September 1990*

Free from NCADI

*What Works: Schools Without Drugs*

This publication provides assistance to schools and communities in developing a comprehensive program to prevent drug and alcohol abuse. Free from Schools Without Drugs/ Pueblo, CO 81009; or call 1 (800) 624-0100 (also available in Spanish)

*Growing Up Drug-Free: A Parent's Guide To Prevention*

This handbook is distributed to parents, educators, and community groups to help families take an active role in drug prevention before they have a problem. Free from Growing Up Drug Free/Pueblo, CO 81009 or call 1 (800) 624-0100 (also available in Spanish)

*Youth & Alcohol: Selected Reports to the Surgeon General*

Free from NCADI

*Drug Prevention Curricula: A Guide to Selection and Implementation*

This guide is designed to assist educators in selecting, designing, and implementing educationally sound curricula for use in a drug prevention program. Free from NCADI

### **Audiovisual Materials**

The Department has produced nine drug prevention videos for students in all grades. The videos are available on loan from the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information. A series of posters developed in conjunction with the Partnership for a Drug-Free America also is available from the Clearinghouse.

### **Special Needs**

*Inclusion of Students with Disabilities in Regular School Settings*

Free from OSERS

Information Kit: *Education of Children with Attention Deficit Disorder*  
Free from the ERIC Clearinghouse on Disabilities and Gifted Education  
(800) 328-0272.

*Discipline of Handicapped Students in Elementary & Secondary Schools*  
Free from the Office of Civil Rights

### **Business-Community-Education Partnerships**

*A Guide to Developing Education Partnerships*  
GPO, # 065-000-00619-7, \$4.25

*Synthesis of Existing Knowledge and Practice in the Field of Educational Partnerships*  
Free from OERI, PIP 93-1102

*Project Abstracts: Educational Partnerships Program*  
Free from OERI, PIP 93-1117

*An Overview of Evaluation Research on Selected Educational Partnerships*  
ERIC, ED 325536, \$3.53 or from OERI

## **Teachers and Teaching**

### **Professional Development**

*Achieving World Class Standards: The Challenge for Educating Teachers*  
GPO, #065-000-00557-3, \$4.25

### **Teaching Strategies**

*Hard Work and High Expectations: Motivating Students to Learn*  
GPO, #065-000-00496-8, \$1.25

### **On the Teaching Profession**

*America's Teachers: Profile of a Profession*  
GPO, #065-000-00567-1, \$13.00

*Schools and Staffing in the United States: A Statistical Profile, 1990-91*  
GPO, #065-000-00581-6, \$6.50

*Toward a New Science of Instruction*  
GPO, #065-000-00589-1, \$5.50

## **School Policy**

### **Assessment**

*National Assessment of Educational Progress*  
brochure; free from OERI

### **Principals/School Management**

*The Principal's Role in Shaping School Culture*  
GPO, #065-000-00426-7, \$3.75

*Collaboration to Build Competence -- The Urban Superintendents' Perspective*  
GPO, #065-000-00475-5, \$4.00

### **School Improvement**

*The National Education Goals Report 1994: Building A Nation of Learners*  
GPO, call (202) 783-3238 for number & price

*Standards for All: A Vision of Education in the 21st Century*  
brochure; free from OERI

*Developing Leaders For Restructuring Schools: New Habits of Mind and Heart*  
GPO, #065-000-00444-5, \$3.50

*Toward Quality in Education: The Leader's Odyssey*  
GPO, #065-000-00605-7, \$6.50

*Together We Can: A Guide for Crafting a Professional System of Education & Human Services*  
GPO, \$11.00

*Using Technology to Support Education Reform*  
Free from OERI

*Changing Education: Resources for Systemic Reform*  
Free from OERI

## **Civil Rights**

*ED FACTS: Information About OCR*  
Free from the Office for Civil Rights

*How to File a Discrimination Complaint*  
Free from the Office for Civil Rights

*The Guidance Counselor's Role in Ensuring Equal Educational Opportunity*  
Free from the Office for Civil Rights

*Magnet Schools: Promoting Equal Opportunity and Quality Education*  
Free from the Office for Civil Rights

*Sexual Harassment --- It's Not Academic*  
Free from the Office for Civil Rights

*Placement of School Children with AIDS*  
Free from the Office for Civil Rights

## **Grant Guides**

The U. S. Department of Education administers a number of grants, both through state formula grant programs and through competitive discretionary grant programs. The following guides detail the range of funding opportunities available at the federal level.

*U.S. Department of Education: Guide To Programs, 1992 (OPA)*

*U.S. Department of Education Office of Elementary and Secondary Education: Guide to Programs, Fiscal Year 1992 (OESE)*

*U.S. Department Of Education: Funding For Mathematics And Science Education (OERI)*

*Programs Supporting Mathematics and Science Education (OERI)*

*Christa McAuliffe Fellowship Program: Program Abstracts 1989-1992*  
(OESE; School Effectiveness Division)

*Resource Guide for Discretionary National Vocational-Technical and Adult Literacy Education Programs (OVAE, Division of National Programs)*

*Handbook on Serving Private School Children With Federal Education Programs (OPRE)*

## **Publications Available from 1-800-USA-LEARN**

The Information Resource Center can send you publications on a wide array of education issues. By simply calling 1-800-USA-LEARN, you may inquire about and order the following:

How We Help American Learn  
A Bright New Era in Education  
Preparing Your Child for College (2nd edition)  
Teacher Forum Packet  
Teachers and Goals 2000  
An Invitation to Your Community  
A Teacher's Guide to the U.S. Department of Education  
Summer Learning Recipes: Grades K-3  
Summer Learning Recipes: Grades 4-5  
Summer Learning Recipes: Grades 6-8  
Summer Learning Recipes: Grades 9-12  
Strong Families, Strong Schools  
Community Action Toolkit  
Moving to the Head of the Class  
Employers, Families, Schools: Family Friendly Business  
Statement of Common Purpose  
Family Involvement Brochures  
Together We Can Packet  
Implementing School Wide Programs  
Goals 2000 Progress Report  
Family Involvement Partnership Strategic Plan  
Back to School Publications  
Religious Expression in Public Schools  
National Technology Plan for Education  
Reading Kit  
Reading Kit (Pre-K)  
Reading Kit (Camera Copy)  
Reading Kit (Camera Ready Pre-K)  
Building Capacity: Higher Education & Goals 2000  
Building Bridges from School to Work  
All Children Ready to Learn  
Safe, Disciplined, & Drug-Free Schools  
High Academic Standards  
Technology: Tools for Transforming Teaching/Learning  
Arts in Education  
Telecomputing Stories: Real People Doing Real Things. . .  
Successful School-To-Work Programs

## Periodicals

### *GOALS 2000 Community Newsletter*

*Community Update* is the U.S. Department of Education's free monthly newsletter serving communities across the country in their efforts to achieve the National Education Goals. The newsletter reports on effective community programs targeting one or more of the goals, highlights new resources and publications to help communities reach the goals, and reports on the monthly GOALS 2000 Satellite Town Meeting. *Community Update* also features the Community Exchange, which allows people around the country to ask questions or provide suggestions on specific reform activities. Call 1-800-USA-LEARN to be placed on the GOALS 2000 mailing list.

### *OERI Bulletin*

The *Bulletin*, which is published three or four times a year, describes office priorities and OERI-funded publications, and highlights new programs, research and statistical findings, upcoming competitions and events, and recent grants and contracts from each of OERI's program offices. Free from OERI.

### *State of the Art: Transforming Ideas in Teaching and Learning*

This series shows the intersection of research and practice by discussing 10-12 key research-based ideas that transform practice in a content area. Math issued 7/93, Science-8/93, Reading-11/93. Free from OERI.

### *Research Reports*

This series presents nontechnical discussions of education issues. Topics to date include *Meeting Goal 3*, *Parental Satisfaction and the Need for Standards*, *Who Controls the Schools -- the Principal's and the Teacher's View*, and *What's Wrong With Writing?* Free from OERI.

### *Consumer Guides*

This series provides basic information on an education innovation. Titles to date include *Cooperative Learning*, *Performance Assessment*, *Reading Recovery*, and *School-Based Management*. Free from OERI.

*Focus: Occasional Papers in Bilingual Education*

*Focus* offers thought-provoking articles on issues of current concern in bilingual education. Recent issues have featured early childhood programs for language minority children, teacher education programs for teachers of language minority children, the role of research in bilingual studies, and the impact of bilingualism on testing for academic achievement. NCBE, \$3.50 each. (Current listings and back issues available through "NCBE Forum".)

*The Challenge: Safe, Disciplined, and Drug-Free Schools*

*The Challenge*, a quarterly newsletter, highlights successful programs, provides the latest research on effective prevention measures, and answers questions about school-based efforts. Free from Drug Outreach and Planning, OESE (c/o Charlotte Gillespie, (202) 401-3030).

## Ordering Information

For publications available from the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education (OESE),

Contact: Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

U.S. Department of Education  
600 Independence Avenue, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20202

For publications available from the Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Languages Affairs (OBEMLA),

Contact: Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Language Affairs

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For publications available from the Office of Vocational and Adult Education (OVAE),

Contact: Office of Vocational and Adult Education

U.S. Department of Education  
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Switzer Building  
Washington, DC 20202

For publications available from the National Center for Research in Vocational Education (NCRVE),

Contact: National Center for Research in Vocational Education

Graduate Center for Research in Vocational Education  
Graduate School of Education  
University of California at Berkeley  
1995 University Avenue, Suite 375  
Berkeley, CA 94704-1058

For publications produced by the Office of Private Education (OPRE),

Contact: Office of Private Education

U.S. Department of Education  
600 Independence Avenue, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20202

For publications available from the Office of Intergovernmental and Interagency Affairs (OIIA),

Contact: Office of Intergovernmental and Interagency Affairs

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## A Teacher's Guide to the U.S. Department of Education

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Rockville, MD 20852  
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Local number: (301) 468-2600

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Contact: National Clearinghouse for Bilingual Education

1118 22nd Street NW  
Washington, DC 20037  
(800) 321-NCBE or (202) 467-0867  
Fax: (202) 429-9766

For publications produced by the Office of Educational Research and Improvement (OERI),

Contact: Office of Educational Research and Improvement

Education Information Branch  
555 New Jersey Avenue NW  
Washington DC 20208-5641  
(800) 424-1616

For publications available from the Government Printing Office (GPO),

Contact: Government Printing Office

Superintendent of Documents  
P.O. Box 371954  
Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954  
(202) 783-3238

For publications available from the Consumer Information Center (CIC),

Contact: Consumer Information Center

Pueblo, CO 81009

For publications available from the Office for Civil Rights (OCR),

Contact: 1-800-421-3481.

Local number: (202) 205-5413.

**Be sure to include the complete title and order number for each publication you order. The order number is the series of numbers listed at the end of the publication description. If you want publications from different offices, you must place separate orders. OERI provides a maximum of two copies of those publications listed as being free from OERI, on a first-come, first-served basis.**

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## **National Education Goals**

***By the year 2000 --***

**ALL CHILDREN** in America will start school ready to learn.

**THE HIGH SCHOOL** graduation rate will increase to at least 90 percent.

**ALL STUDENTS** will leave grades 4, 8, and 12 having demonstrated competency over challenging subject matter including English, mathematics, science, foreign languages, civics and government, economics, the arts, history, and geography, and every school in America will ensure that all students learn to use their minds well, so they may be prepared for responsible citizenship, further learning, and productive employment in our modern economy.

**UNITED STATES** students will be first in the world in science and mathematics achievement.

**EVERY ADULT** American will be literate and will possess the knowledge and skills necessary to compete in a global economy and exercise the rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

**EVERY SCHOOL** in the United States will be free of drugs, violence, and the unauthorized presence of firearms and alcohol, and will offer a disciplined environment conducive to learning.

**THE NATION'S** teaching force will have access to programs for the continued improvement of their professional skills and the opportunity to acquire the knowledge and skills needed to instruct and prepare all American students for the next century.

**EVERY SCHOOL** will promote partnerships that will increase parental involvement and participation in promoting the social, emotional, and academic growth of children.